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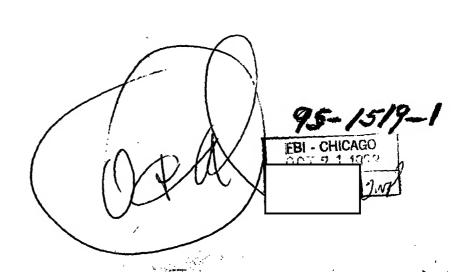
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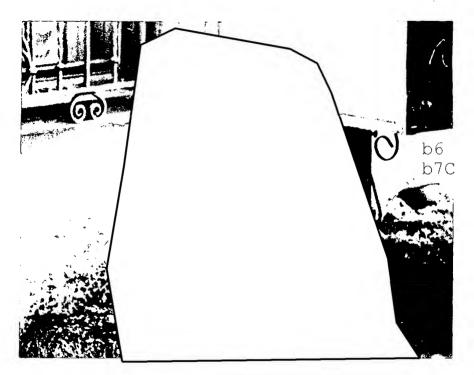
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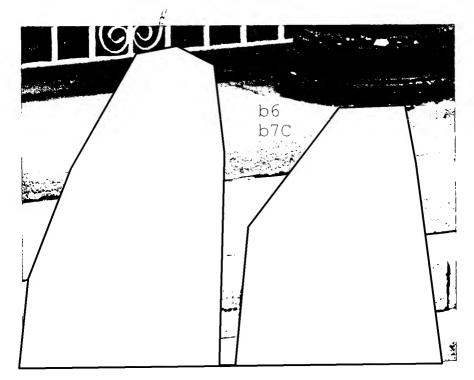
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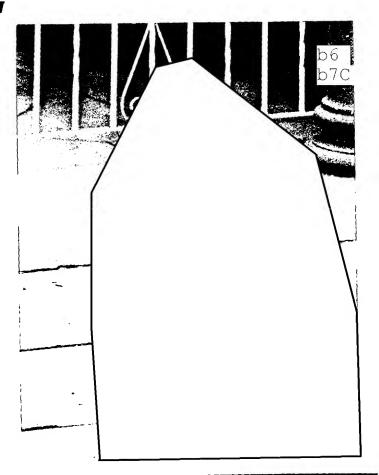
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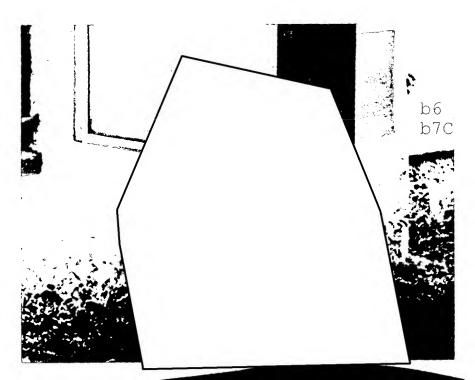
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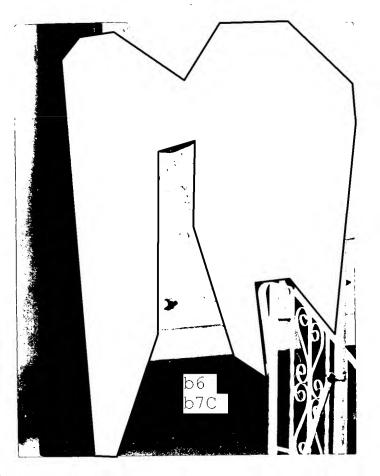
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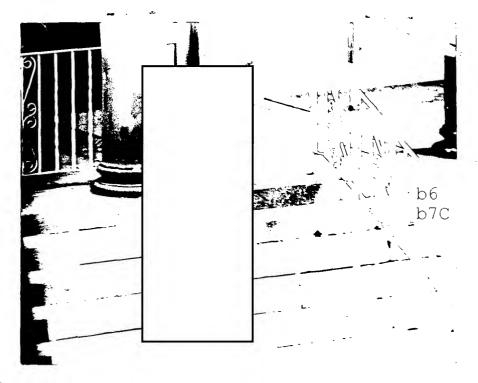




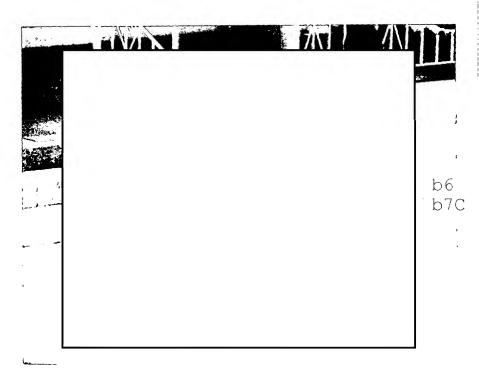


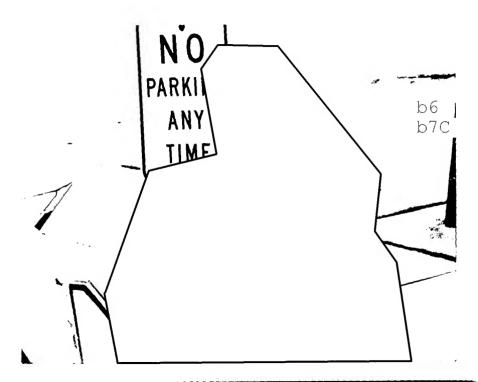


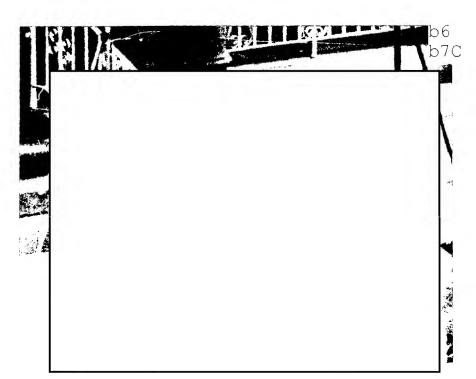
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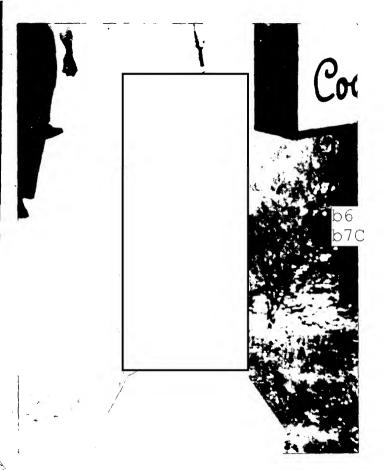


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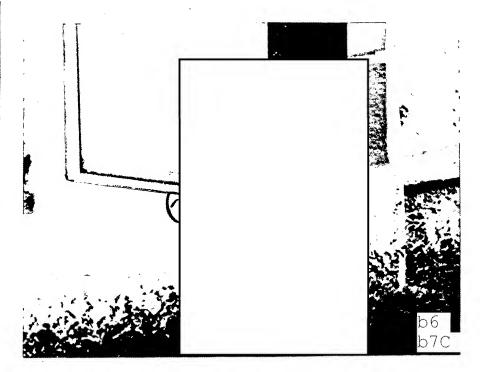
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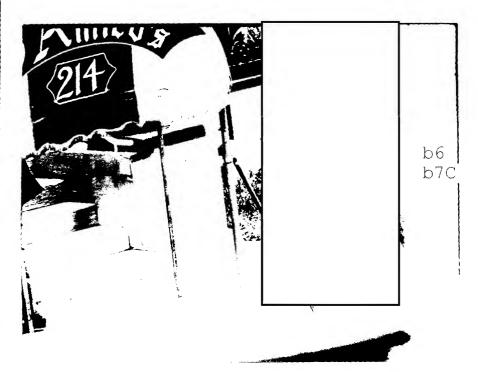


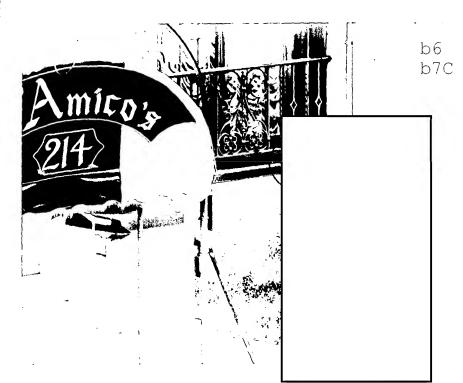
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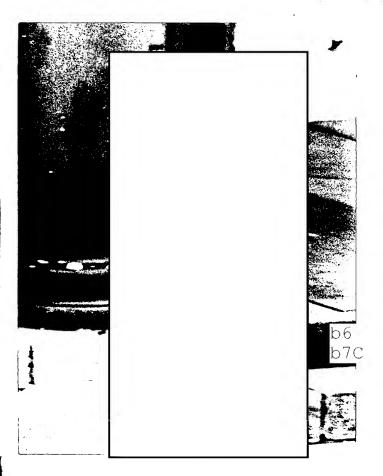




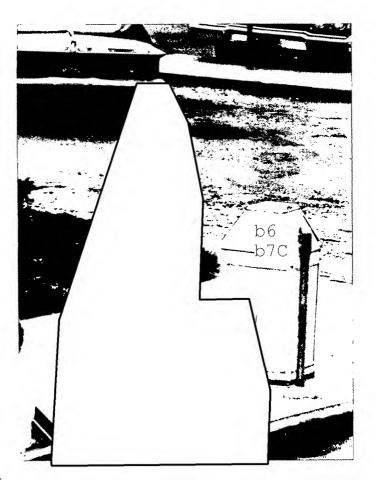
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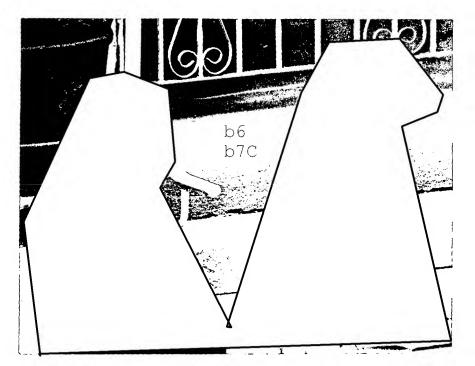


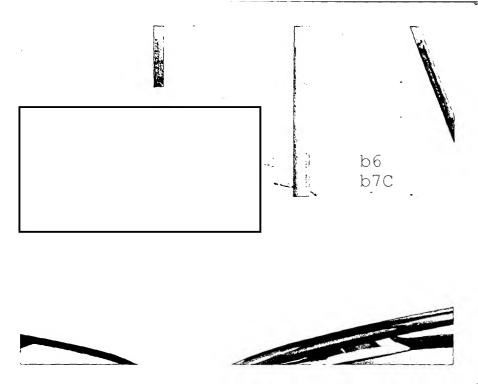


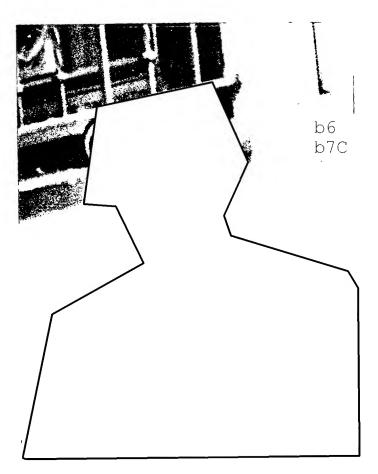


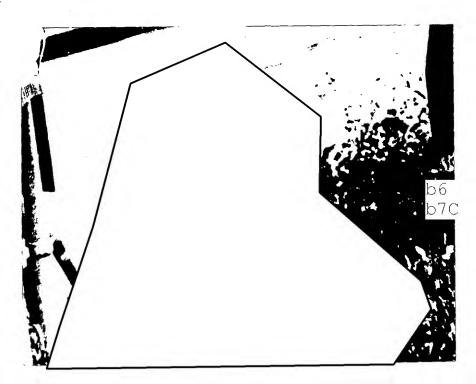




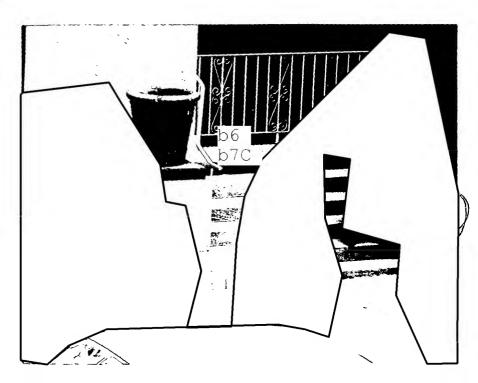


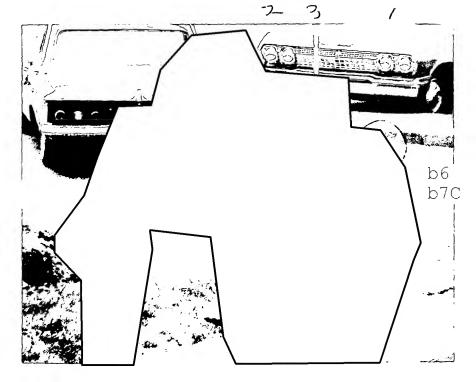


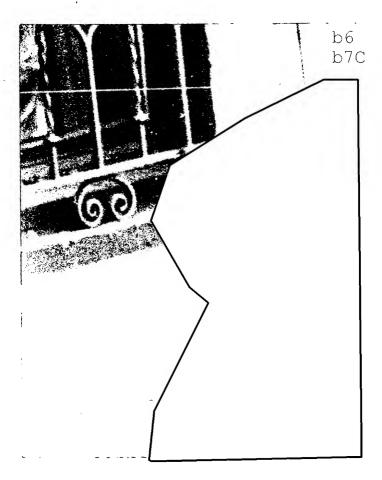




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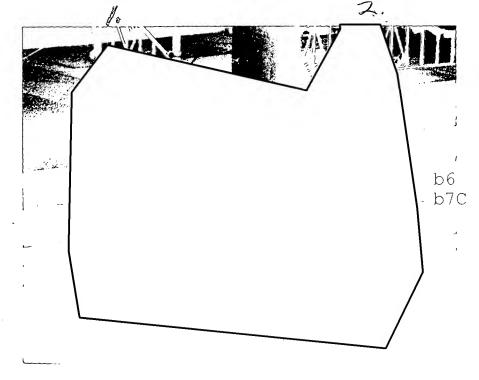


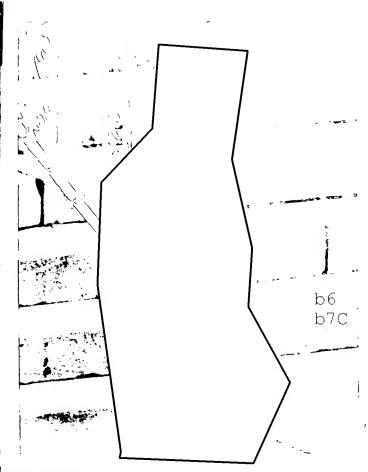














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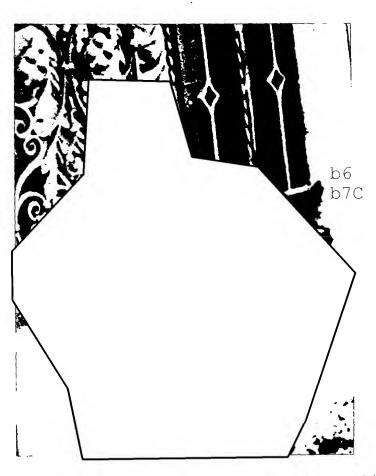
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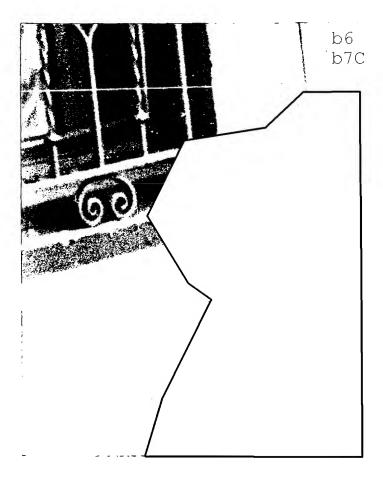


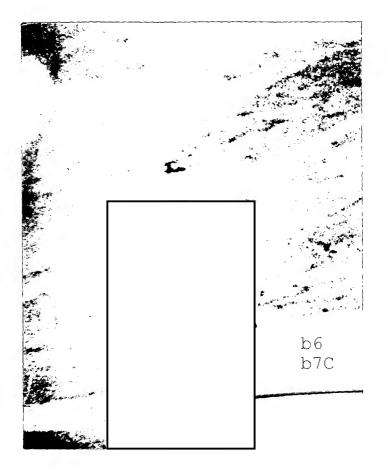
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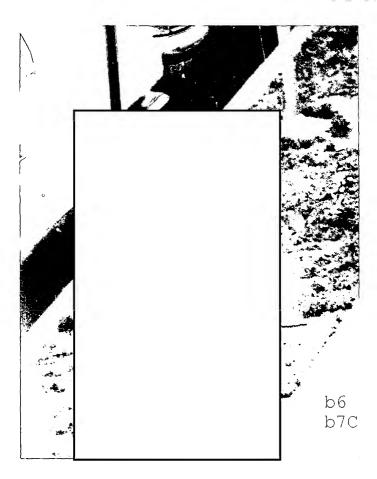


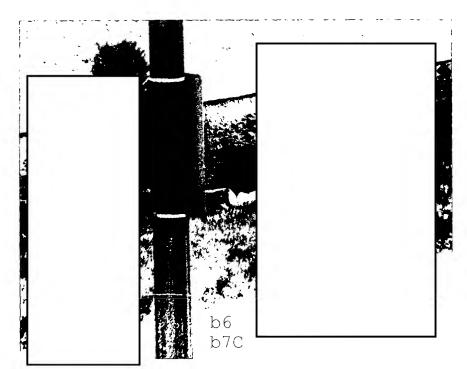












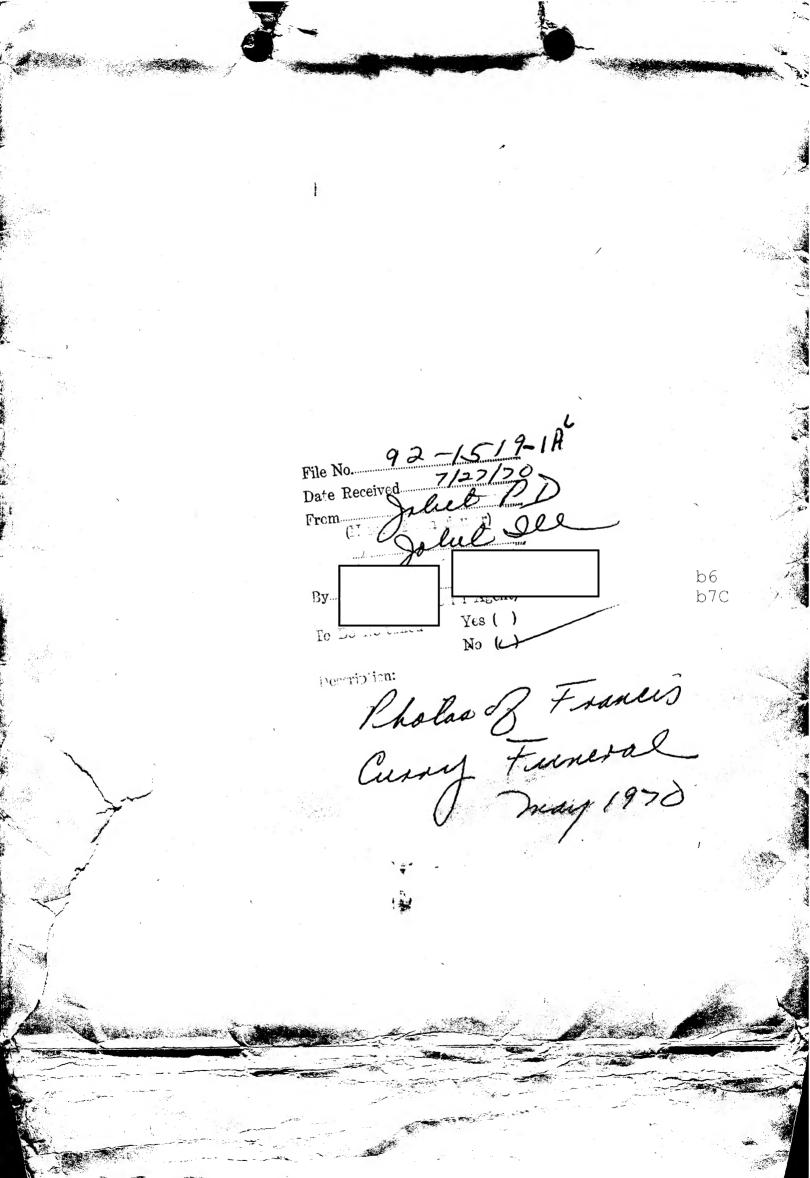
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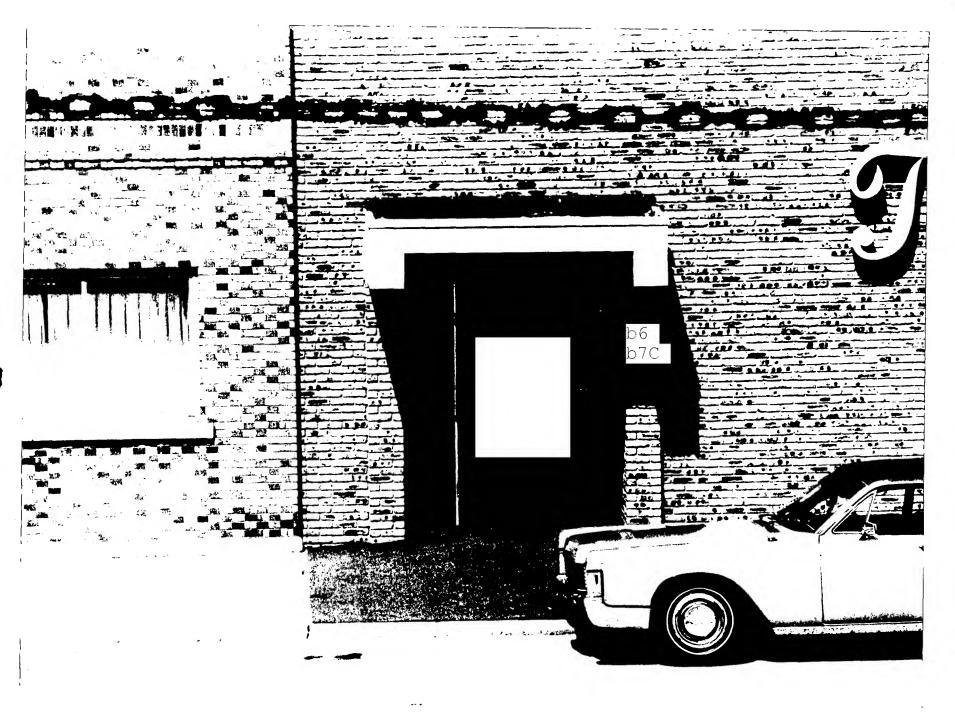
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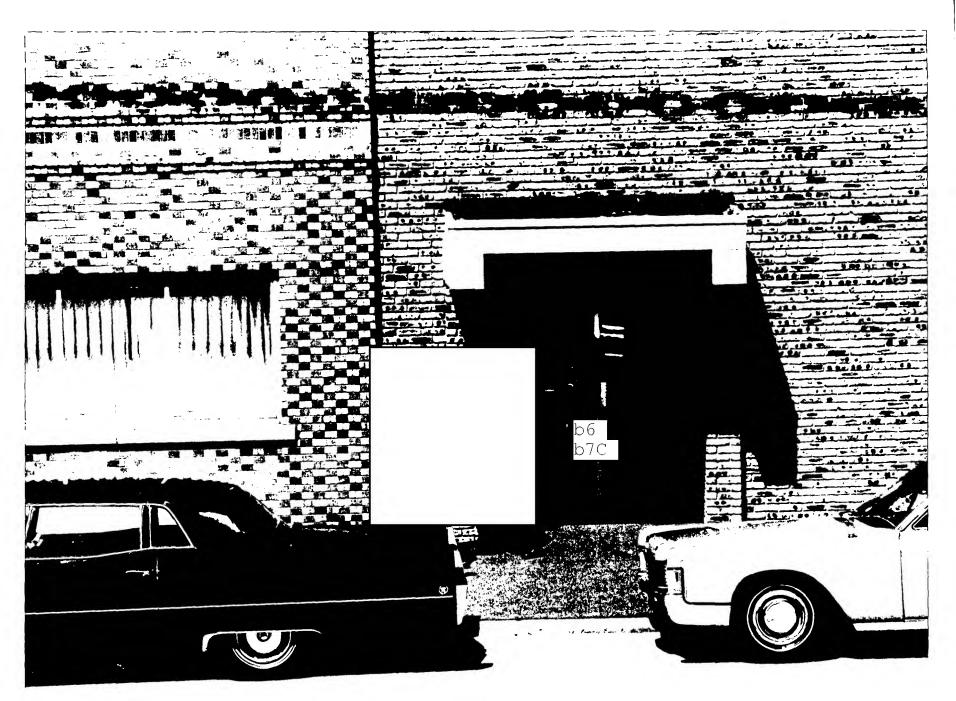


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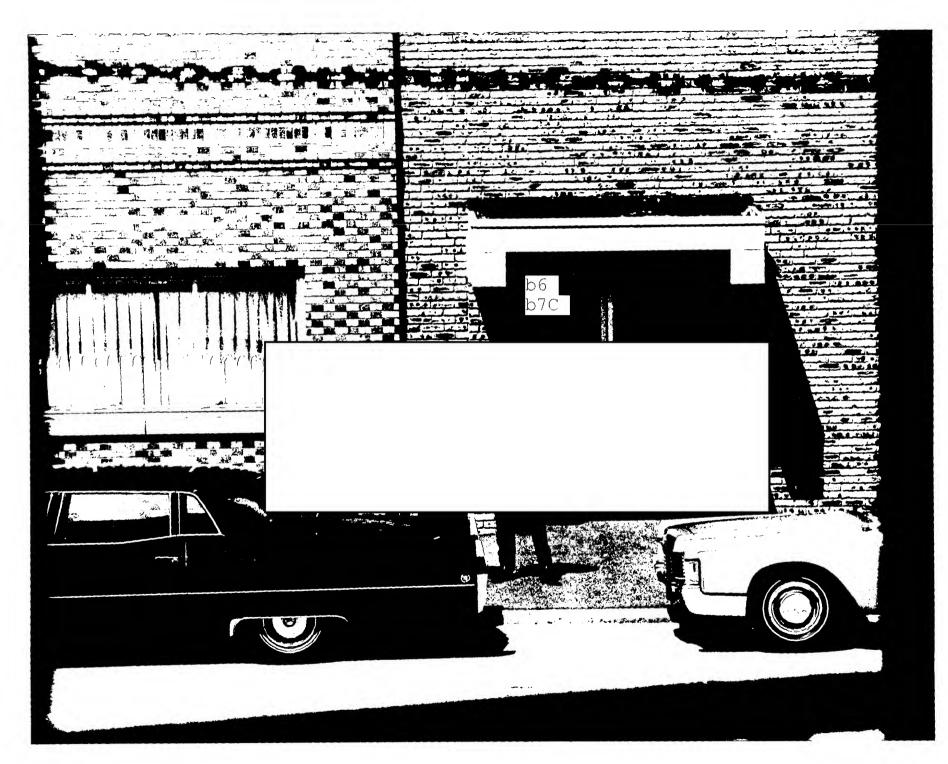


















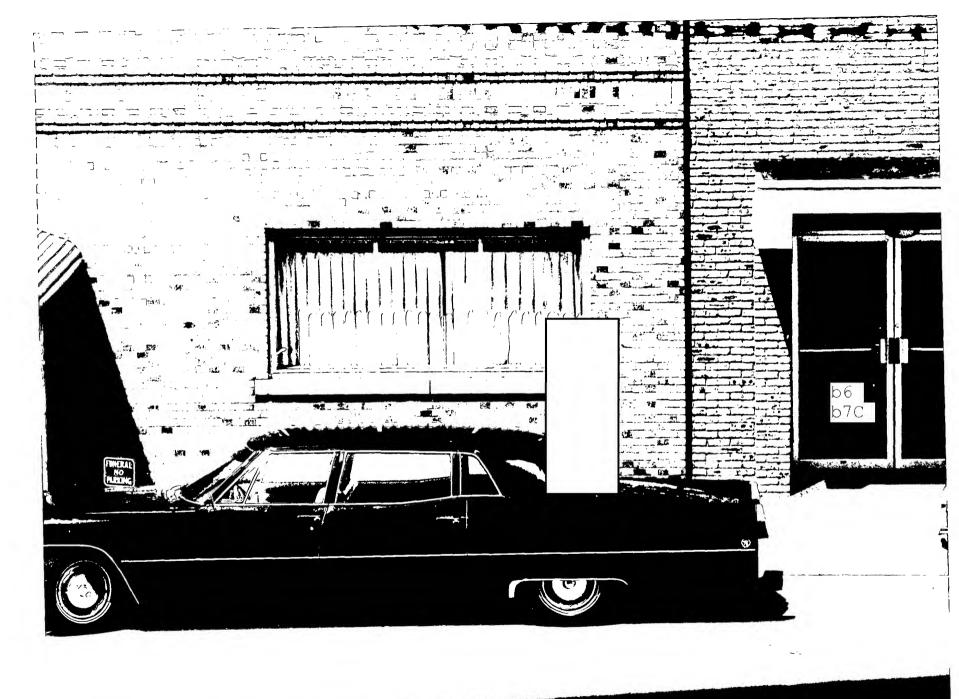


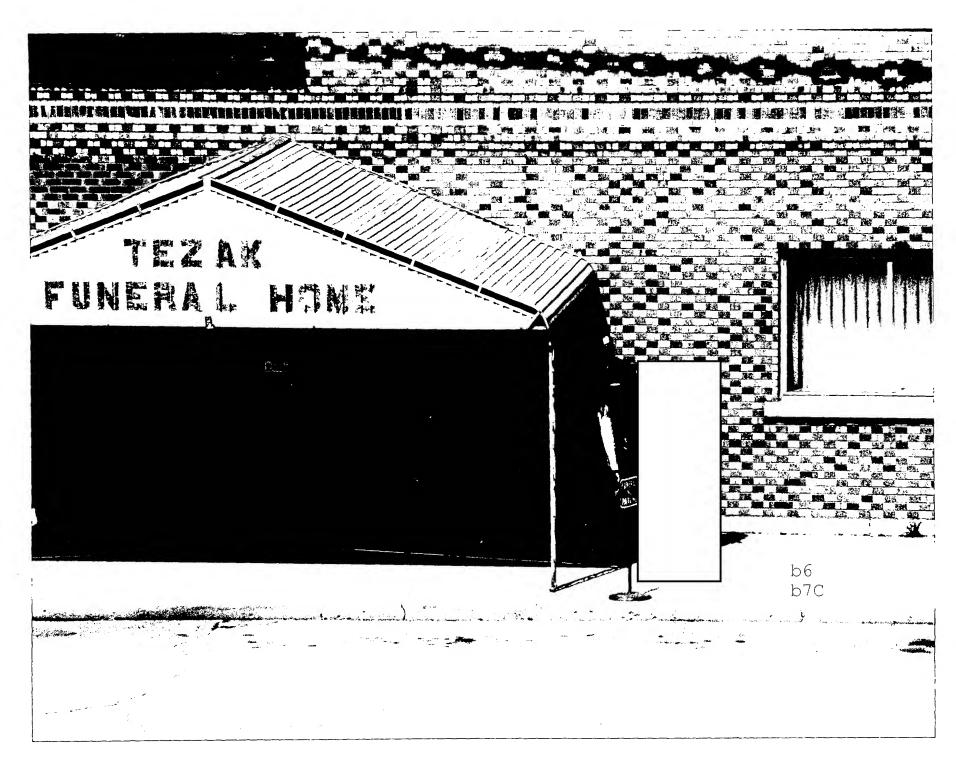


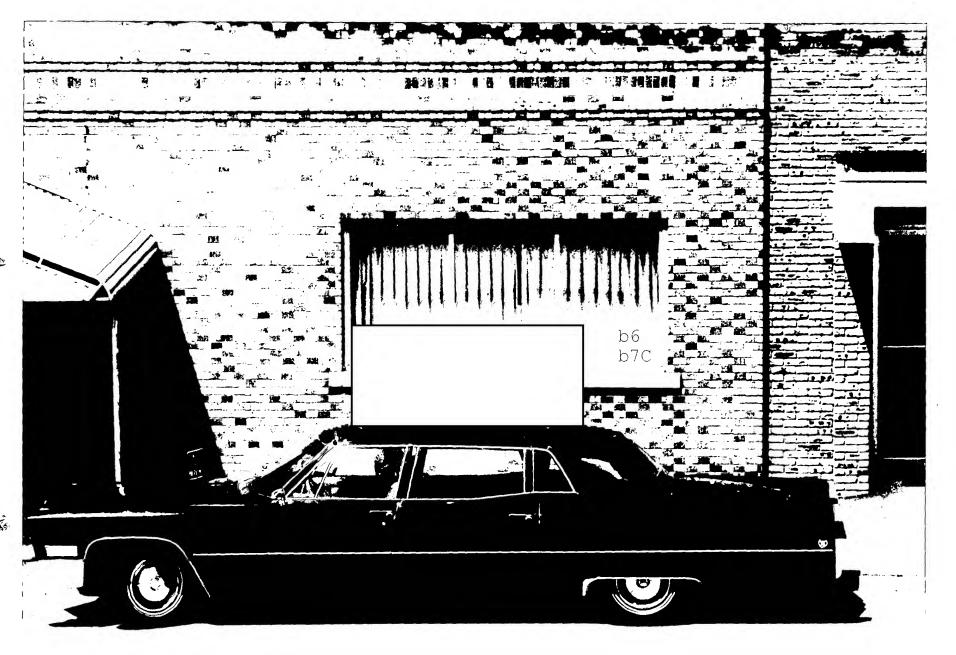


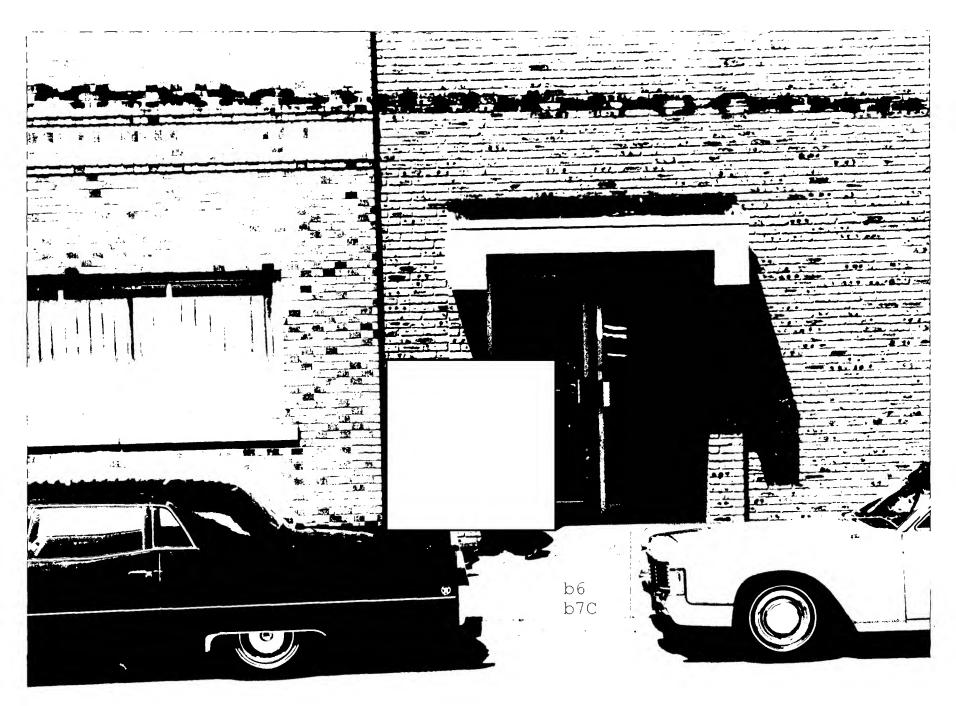




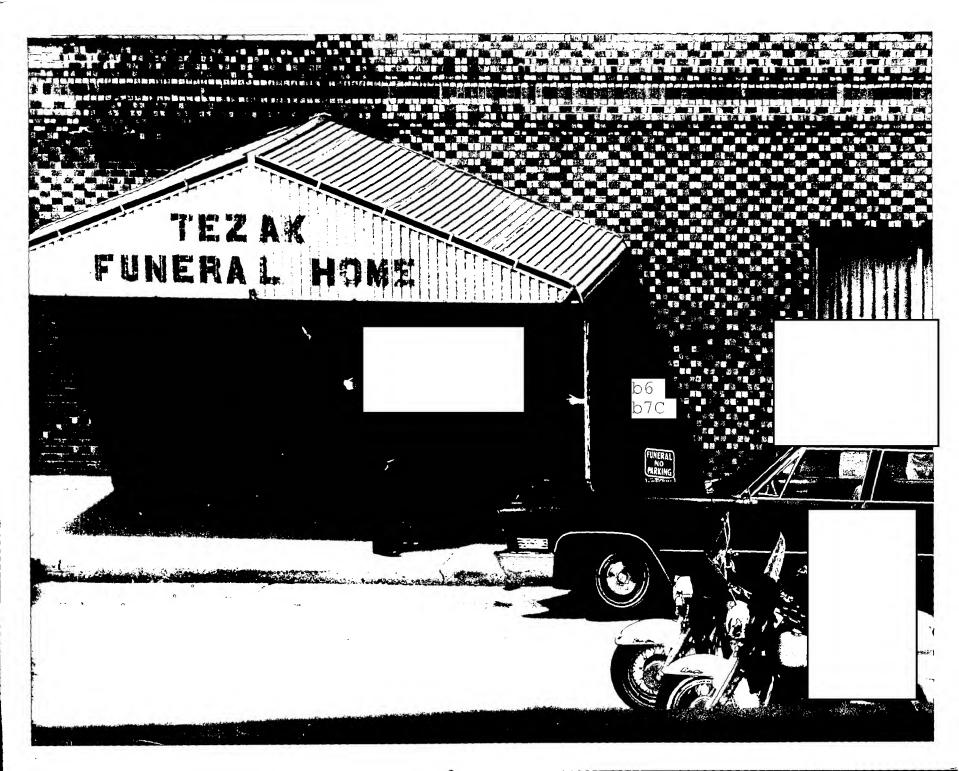


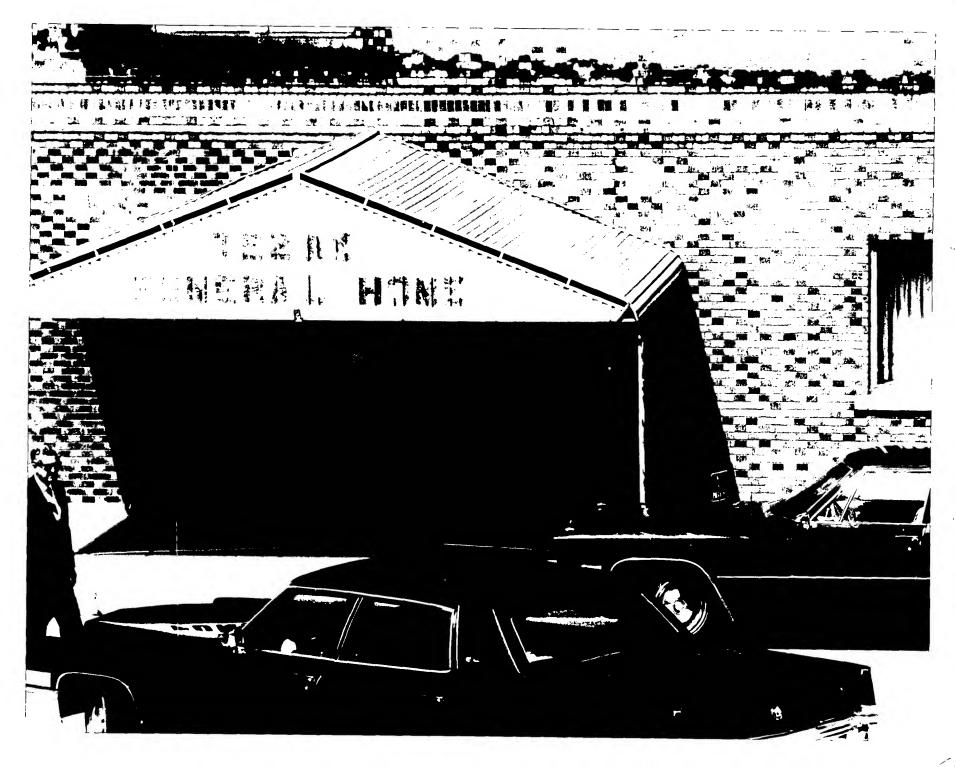






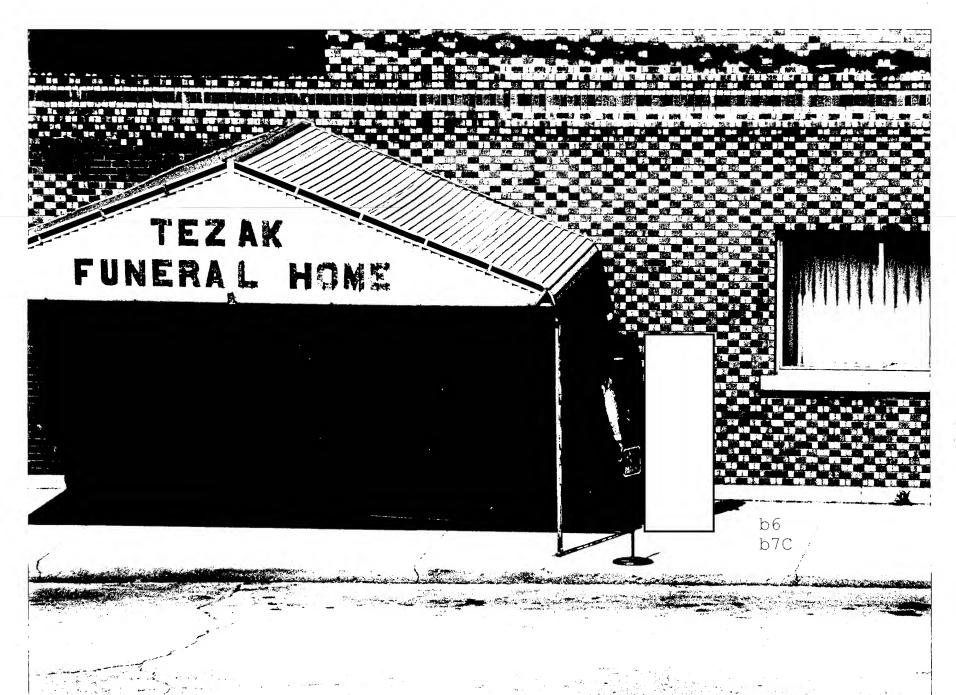






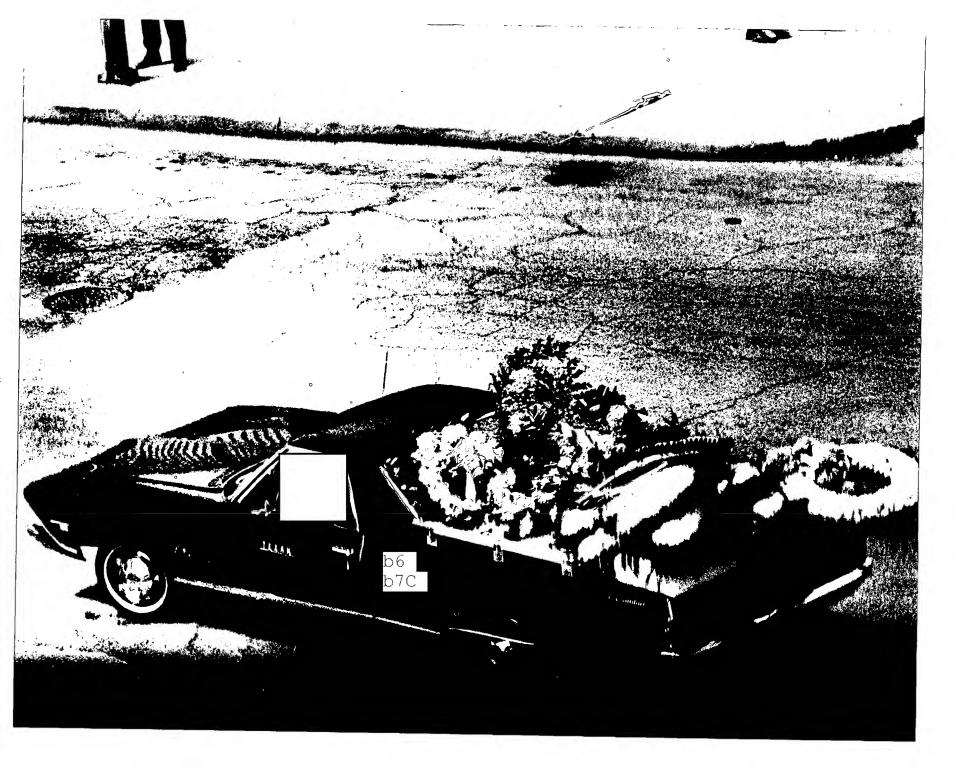


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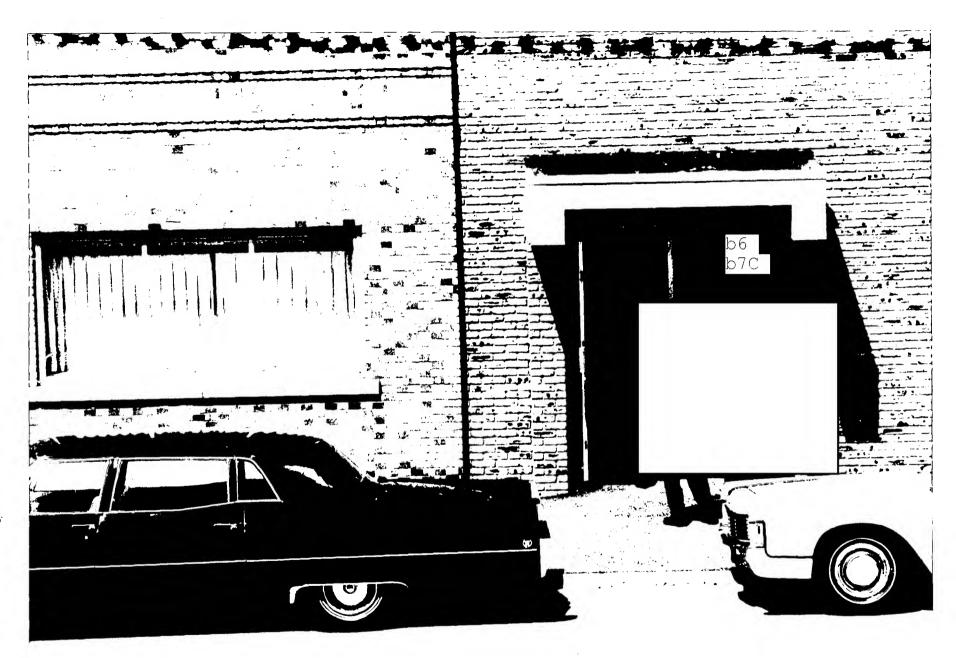












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PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

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An examination by agent of the records of LDB "2 at Joliet, Illinois disclosed that FRANCIS CURRY was born December 11, 1902 at Joliet, Illinois. He resides at 516 Lestern Avenue, Joliet. with his wife MARIAN and their two children, years old and years old. His home at this address is valued at \$75,000 and was purchased in the name of FRANCIS CURRY'S wife. His telephone numbers at his residence are 2-4481 and 7-2542. It was noted in CURRY'S Selective Service record that he maintained an address of 736 N.E. 74th Street, Mami, Florida. This address was given as his location at the time of registration for the draft on 2/14/42. FRANCIS CURRY registered from LDB 1, Dade County, Florida.

FRANCIS CURRY'S father was a mill worker in the steel mills at Joliet, Ill. and for a number of years operated a tavern in Joliet. ROBERT CURRY, brother of FRANCIS, was well known in the City of Joliet and throughout the State of Illinois for his activities in bootlegging of liquor and gambling activities. ROBERT CURRY had a bad reputation and had been arrested on numerous occasions although because of his connections in Joliet and in the Will County Sheriff's Office he did not serve any long term sentences. ROBERT CURRY was killed in an automobile accident in 1944. The following year another brother, HUBERT, was also killed in an automobile accident just outside the City limits of Joliet.

In CURRY'S Selective Service file he states that his education consists of a grade school education and a four year High School education. His business affiliation listed at that time was designated as the Scale and Vending Lachine business and setting his earnings at \$25,000 annually. CURRY also stated in his Selective Service file that he was a farm owner and devoted a large amount of his time to grain and dairy farming. Under the criminal section in the Selective Service file CURRY states he has not been convicted of any crime.

FRANCIS CURRY is alleged to own 3,000 acres of farmland in Kendall ν County which is located eighteen to twenty miles West of Joliet. This inform

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| | mation was obtained fromof the Joliet Police Department. | |
| | In "The Spectator" newspaper of Joliet, Ill. dated September 26; 1944, an article was written by JOHN T. CLYNE. The article was entitled, "Small Town and Farm Boy Makes Good in Joliet". This article listed several prominent businessmen and public officials who had made good in their particular occupation in Joliet and at the end of this article it stated that FRANCIS CURRY also had made an outstanding reputation for himself as a producer of food and other necessities for the good of living, referring to CURRY'S farms as mentioned above. | |
| | was interviewed with reference to his knowledge | |
| yt | as to the activities of FRANCIS CURRY. stated that FRANCIS CURRY in the earlier days had owned and operated several small taverns in Joliet and | |
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| | This was very apparent by the fact that in Jolie Ill. and at this | b7D |
| | was located sixteen slot machines. In addition | עוע |
| | raided the Joliet, Ill. | • |
| ٠ | and picked up two slot machines at this location. Let that he had not used these two slot machines for the past two years and that he was just holding them for FRANCIS CURRY. | |
| | In checking the newspaper morgue of the Herald News newspaper of Joliet, an | |
| | article was found dated April 1, 1927 which stated that FRANCIS CURRY had been | |
| | arrested for possession of beer and for warehousing of beer but no charge or fine was imposed against CURRY at that time. In the same morgue a notation was found that on July 24, 1920 CURRY had been arrested for disorderly conduct. | į |
| | CURRY has a reputation as a hoodlum and | |
| , | seemingly is a power in Joliet. the political set-up | |
| . 17 | in Will County through the Sheriff's Office and other political officials seems to approve the activities of CURRY. It was also noted | • |
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| | who is alleged to be defending CURRY when it comes to | į |
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criminal activities in Joliet and surrounding territory.

In the News Herald newspaper dated December 15, 1942 it was mentioned that MRS. FRANCIS CURRY, representing the Catholic Womens League, bought \$30,000 worth of bonds. This article pointed out that she is the daughter of MR. JOSEPH L. ZALAR, Supreme Secretary of the Capital KSKJ, Slovanian Catholic organization.

In recent years FRANCIS CURRY has been operating "books" in Joliet and has been serving his "books" through a wire service set—up called the Clinton Publishing Company which was located at the Louis Joliet Hotel.

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| On August 2, 1946 Special Agent J. R. McQUEEN ascertained from the |
| Chicago that FRANCIS CURRY had made |
| reservations for these individuals who were travelling through Chicago from |
| Los Angeles to New York. |
| Joe Batters alias Tony Accardo |
| On August 20, 1946 |
| furnished information to the effect that CURRY has a farm |
| near Joliet, Ill. which is used by ACCARDO and other members of the Syndicate as a hide out when the heat is on in Chicago. |
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| CURRY occupies this room whenever he is in Ghicago. Efforts are being made |
| to obtain the background history any background history |
| which would reflect he has hoodlum connections. Through information |
| was ascertained that a number of persons, principally men, are seen b7D |
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on several occasions, has indicated that FRANCIS CURRY is being protected through the members of the officials of the City of Joliet and also officials of Will County. To what extent this protection is given and with reference to the basis of this that he was not able to definitely point allegation_ who were definitely responsible for FRANCIS out any of the CURRY, however, this is a general opinion which is generally known throughout the City of Joliet, therefore no names of known individuals could be obtained who might be directly responsible in the assistance of the activities of FRANCIS CURRY. CRIMINAL RECORD A review of the Bureau of Identification files of the Joliet Police Department and the Will County Sheriff's Office failed to reveal any criminal record for FRANCIS CURRY. The only criminal record obtainable was revealed in articles contained in the morgae of the Herald News newspaper in Joliet which reflects the following: b6 b7C July 24. 1920 - disorderly conduct February 8, 1925, liquor violation Curry's Cigar Store, 416 Cass Street, 4/1/27, possession of beer and warehousing beer. No dispositions were recorded in any of the above charges. advised he had been checking a story which was run in the Chicago American newspaper in regards to a kidnaping of a gambler in Atlanta, Ga. which was alleged to have happened in early 1933 in which FRANCIS CURRY and WILLIAM "NOSE" GALLAGHER, now deceased, that he has been unable to obtain any definite figured. information with reference to this alleged kidnaping but that the at the present time is Burcau of Identification, endeavoring to locate any information he possibly can with reference to this

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fingerprints of "NOSE" GALLAGHER which he was forwarding to the FBI Identification Division, Washington, D. C. and hoped that through the Bureau's records

interviewed and he advised he was able to locate an old set of

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| he would be able to ascertain the complete record as to the above allegations. It is reflected that the alleged kidnaping took place in Savannah, Ga. and that It is reflected that the alleged kidnaping took place in Savannah, Ga. and that during this attempted kidnapping "NOSE" GALLAGHER was wounded, after which he was arrested, convicted and sentenced. A period of time was spent by GALLAGHER was arrested, convicted and sentenced. A period of time was spent by GALLAGHER was arrested, convicted and sentenced. A period of time was spent by GALLAGHER was arrested, convicted and sentenced. A period of time was spent by GALLAGHER was arrested, convicted and sentenced. A period of time was spent by GALLAGHER was vectored to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary in Georgia after which he was returned to Joliet because at in the penitentiary | |
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| An examination of Chicago file 726-4176 entitled Flamers Country, NMVTA, disclosed according to information furnished by CURRY, | |
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| appeared in Joliet, Ill. never located, however, according | |
| to CURRY'S statement wanted certain | |
| whereupon CURRY assisted and subsequently | |
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| in Joliet where it was CURRY denied knowledge of the | |
| and was not prosecuted in connection with the matter. | |
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| <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | 6 |
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| Residence Height Weight Slender, slightly stooped Ruild | |
| Hair Brown, thin, baid on top | |
| Eyes Complexion Complexion Scars and marks None Farmer | |
| Marital Status Married, wife Marian Daughter. | |
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apple. Dress Wears sports clothes generally; does not wear hat Characteristic features Nervous type, chews gum; takes large and long steps CRIMINAL, RACKETEER AND HOODLUM CONNECTIONS An examination of Chicago file 62-0-5512, Miscellaneous, disclosed that on January 29. 1941 a letter was received from wherein it was stated that had ascertained from reliable contacts in Joliet, Ill. that shortly before Christmas, 1940. FRANCIS CURRY, head of the local racketeers had This letter further described CURRY as an ex-bootlegger and formerly chief racketeer in the slot machine business in Will County and is now operating some kind of racket in Cincinnati or Cleveland which would seem to indicate he has some kind of tie-up with the big time gangs in Chicago although they are said to have run him out of the slot machine business in Will County. With reference to Serial in Chicago file disclosed that on 1/24/35 Special Agent in that case, had apparently gone to Joliet, Ill. to contact FRANCIS CURRY who operated a tavern known as the Elks Bar. On 1/24/35 another memo was submitted in the aforementioned by Special Agent had advised where shady individuals, who undoubtedly had hoodlum connections, hung out. It also indicates that FRANCIS CURRY, who was an associate of these individuals,

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Small head; long face; squinty eyes; large protruding ears; has large Adams

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further stated that CURRY was friendly with the owner of the

had heard CURRY was a finger man in the kidnapping of

operated the Royal Bodago Tavern in the Elks Building and he further stated he

underworld characters as long as he could remember and also that CURRY had

provided hideouts and had given aid to many hoodlums and gangsters.

during the Prohibition days and that CURRY had been associated with

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| therefore this hotel, in his opinion, was a stopping place for many gangsters. |
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| gangs cers. |
| T-164 furnished information to the effect that the recently contacted the CURRY home at Joliet, Ill. and left a message with the person who answered the telephone to tell FRANCIS CURRY she |
| had called to see if he had heard anything about they shipped Monday from New York. Thereafter CURRY contacted |
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| T-163 has furnished information to the effect that frequently contact CURRY in connection with the operation of |
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| The reputation maintained by FRANCIS CURRY was that of a hoodlum and bootlegger which reputation has been placed upon FRANCIS CURRY |
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| of FRANCIS CURRY and therefore places FRANCIS CURRY in this category. FRANCIS CURRY is known to have operated books in Joliet for a considerable length of b6 |
| time At the time of the ANNENBERG trial in 1989 all race news service was |
| discontinued and CURRY discontinued the operation of his books. In the early 670 |
| mont of load maging nows service was again inaugurated and was being received |
| at remining points in the State of Tilippis. The State of IIIIIOIS was suite |
| andon an injunction and it was unlawful to send or receive the racing news |
| service. At this time FRANCIS CURRY was operating several books in Joliet. |
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| FRANCIS CURRY had just |
| obtained a telemeter machine in Joliet and was desirous of obtaining the |
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| was serving several books in the area of Joliet. The exact number of books |
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| is not known. |
| FRANCIS CURRY was a momber, or an allogod |
| member, of the CAPONE syndicate of Chicago and further that he was considered |
| as the representative of the Capone Syndicate in the Joliet area. However, |
| CURRY was receiving the |
| keeping his obligations up to date |
| were satisfied with him because of the fact that he did not give |
| them any trouble whatsoever nor did he endeaver to interfere |
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| It is to be noted that interviewed by Special Agents |
| denied that he at any time |
| was connected with FRANCIS CURRY and emphatically denied that CURRY had placed |
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| any pressure on him nor had he taken his business away from him. |
| he was just a small operator and that he had nothing to do with FRANCIS CURRY |
| whatsoever. |
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| Recently in Joliet, Ill. has taken it b7C |
| upon nimsoil, with the backing of the rolle commissioner, to crean up |
| gambling and remove the hoodlum element from the City of Joliet. To accomplish 670 |
| this task endoavored to route out the source of the racing news |
| in Joliet and also to clean up the bookie situation. |
| Transamerican news service and Publishing Company of |
| Chicago |
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| CURRY was connected with the above organization and was endeavoring to establish |
| their headquarters in Joliet. To accomplish this fact FRANCIS CURRY made con- |
| tact with the management of the Morris building and rentod space in this build- |
| ing for the establishment of the Transamerican Publishing and News Service Co. |
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| FRANCIS CURRY paid |
| the first months rent and also had some telephones which were located at the |
| the lirst months rent and also had some telephones which were located at the |
| offices of the Clinton Publishing Company in the Louis Joliet Hotel removed to |
| Room 704 of the Morris Building. |
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| a raid on August 16, 1946 of Room 237 of |
| the Louis Jolict Hotel. The raid was conducted against the Clinton Publishing |
| Company which is owned and operated by FRANCIS CURRY. At the time of the raid |
| the police |
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| The Western Union |
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| telemeter machine was confiscated by the Police Department and it was noted during the raid that a microphone was attached to several wires leading out of the building which used for broadcasting the race |
| results to four handbooks, the location of not divulge. |
| In further checking into this situation found that four telephones |
| listed to FRANCIS CURRY in Room 231 of the Louis Joliet Hotel were actually in |
| room 237 and connected to the amplifier and being used to serve other handbooks. |
| definitely of the opinion that FRANCIS CURRY is responsible |
| for bringing the Transamerican Company to Joliet, Ill. As a result of this |
| raid continued to check on the activities of the Transamerican |
| and knowing of the contact of FRANCIS CURRY members |
| of the Chicago Syndicate he continued to conduct other raids. |
| a raid on the offices of the |
| Transamerican located in Room 704 of the Morris Building, Joliet, Ill. At that time four employees of the Transamerican were arrested and in addition all equipment, consisting of three telegraph sending keys, a sounder and six |
| telephones were confiscated by the Police Department. |
| The net result of these raids lead to a Grand Jury investigation which was brought about by the fact that the Transamerican sought a permanent injunction against the Police Department, restraining them from interfering with the operations of the Transamerican. A temporary injunction was granted and the case held over to the Grand Jury for further hearing. On October 4, 1946 a permanent injunction was issued by Judge C. D. HENRY of Kankakee, Ill. after which he reprimanded methods used in endeavoring to rid the city of Joliet of the hoodlum Syndicate and was directed by the Judge that in the future should contact the States Attorney or the City Attorney before making any such arrests. |
| At Louisville, Ky. in the report of Special Agent dated October 4, 1946 it is reported that FRANCIS CURRY is presently residing at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky. FRANCIS CURRY is actively engaged in the operation of the Commonwealth Publishing and News Service Company, It is alleged that FRANCIS CURRY purchased 40% of this business and is attempting to establish the Transamerican services through this organization as it has been designated as a retailoutlet for the Transamerican in this territory. The above firm is working in direct competition with the Twin City News Bureau, 315 Strand Theatre Building Which is |

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Special Agent JAMES A. HANLEY advised by memorandum dated September 19, 1946 that the Joliet Police Department on August 15, 1946 conducted a raid of the offices of the Clinton Publishing Company, owned and operated by FRANCIS CURRY, at Joliet, Illinois. In conducting the raid, all equipment except one microphone was confiscated. The telemeter machine confiscated was one owned by the Western Union Company and being leased to the Midwest News Service Company of Chicago.

| the Joliet Police Department, | | | | | |
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| stated that he noticed a microphone in the room at the time the raid was conducted. He further stated that he desired to remove this microphone and confiscate it along with the other property | | | | | |
| but the Joliet Police Department would not authorize him to do so. | | | | | |
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| Joliet Police Department, was interviewed on September 27, 1946 and he was interrogated with reference to | | | | | |
| the raid and also the equipment confiscated. stated that at the time of the raid | | | | | |
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handbooks which were owned by FRANCIS CURRY, but he would not disclose the location of these books.

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| The following was dictate | ed by Special Agent | |] |
| Reference is made to the in which it is requested ducted to ascertain FRANC Press, 2 North Des Plaine between this organization vice Co. FRANCIS CURRY'S Motor Express Co. | that an investigation in CIS CURRY's connection was Street, Joliet, and in and the Trans American | n Joliet, Illinoi rith the Shepley M f there is any co Publishing and N | s be con- otor Ex- nnection ews Ser- |
| On September 27, 1946 were intervented with the Shepley Motor Express INC. | riewed relative to FRANC | | tions he SHEP- |
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| FRANCIS CURRY owns and or as its address, Shepley I On September 21, 1946 the Shepley Bros. Garage belong to FRANCIS CURRY. | Bros. Garage, 2 No. Des | Plaines St., Joli | et, Ill. raid on |
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Illinois Distributing Co. owned and operated by FRANCIS CURRY."

In further endeavoring to show the relationship between FRANCIS CURRY

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Definite information could not be obtained as to whether or not the SHEPLEY Brothers are in any manner connected with the Trans American Publishing and News Service Co., but it appears that there is no connection between the two organizations and that the only connection that does appear is the friendship between FRANCIS CURRY and the SHEPLEY Brothers.

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| On October 9, 1946 was interviewed business. | ed at his place of by Special Agents advised that at the |
| present time | urther stated that |
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| as to his connections w | with ED/NOIS CURRY and |
| as to the allegation that at one time FRANCIS phatically denied that he at any time had any connections with FRANCIS CURRY, but said that | CURRY had em- |
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| it known that if such an allegation existed in he had never at any time wanted to be connected in any manner or with any of the group with whemight be connected. | ed with FRANCIS CURRY |
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| FRANCIS CURRY had just obtained a telemeter machine in Joliet and |
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| did not want to take any chances whatsoever with anything he might say which would involve FRANCIS CURRY. |
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| The following was dictated by Special Agent | |
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| Reference is made to Louisville Field office teletype dated September 17, 1946 in which it was requested that | |
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| During the present investigation it has been ascertained that FRANCIS CURRY at Joliet. Illinois, when in Chicago spends his time | |
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| tigation | the discontinuance of this investigation, no furt being conducted into the obtaining e teletype. | her inves- as requested |

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Re report made at Chicago 10-2-47 by SA re "LOUIS CAMPAGNA" to Bribery - Parole Matters.

FRANCIS J. CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, was interviewed in Joliet Resident Agency office on September 30, 1947 by Special Agents JAMES A. HANLEY,

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It will be noted that this office has been attempting to locate and interview Mr. CURRY since September 24, 1947, and that on September 29, Mr. CURRY telephonically contacted Agent HANLEY at the Joliet Resident Agency Office and stated he would be available for interview on September 30, at which time he was interviewed.

Mr. CURRY readily admitted that he had been hiding because he thought that the FBI had a "ticket" for him, in connection with the Congressional hearing in the parole matter. Mr. CURRY stated that after checking around, he found that the FBI was not serving subpoenas in connection with the Congressional hearing, therefore he contacted Agent HANLEY.

Mr. CURRY, when asked his occupation, stated "farming". He advised that he was personally acquainted with all of the parolees in this case. Mr. CURRY stated that he had never had any business transactions with any of the parolees with the exception of PAUL DE LUCIA.

Mr. CURRY advised that just before DE LUCIA's incarceration, he rented DE LUCIA's 1100 acre farm in Kendall County, Illinois. Mr. CURRY related that each year's rent was applied against a mortgage on the farm, which was held by the Prudential Insurance Company at Springfield, Illinois. He advised that it was his understanding that the original mortgage was \$100,000 and that the balance at the present time is in the neighborhood of \$75,000. Mr. CURRY stated that the DE LUCIA farm was a very profitable one and that he took \$50,000 off the farm last year. He stated that at the present time, 900 of the 1100 acres are under cultivation, consisting of grain crops of wheat, corn, and soy beans. In the remaining 200 acres, there is maintained a herd of 200 head of cattle.

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Mr. CURRY stated that in his opinion the parolees of the subjects were secured in a normal manner, and that these men were eligible for parole or they would have remained in custody. Mr. CURRY was asked if he had any information as to whether any monies had been paid in connection with the parole of the five subjects, and he stated as follows: "Now really, if I knew of monies being paid you wouldn't expect me to tell you, but honestly I think the idea of monies being paid in connection with these paroles is foolish. In my opinion, the whole thing is a fairy tale."

CURRY stated that it is his opinion that Representatives
BUSBY and HOFFMAN are seeking free publicity and that
the "Chicago Tribune" is aiding them in that manner.
Mr. CURRY stated that he wrote a letter to the warden at
Leavenworth. Kansas on behalf of DE LUCIA on the request
of ______ He stated that other than this letter,
he took no part in the securing of these paroles, that
is, he never contacted anyone to write letters and no
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one contacted him, with the exception of

58-194-1405

Re Memo to SAC, Chicago from Director, FBI dated June 18, 1948 re LOUIS CAMPAGNA, with aliases.

With further reference to Bulet dated April 20, 1948, the Bureau of Internal Revenue has now made available a photostatic copy of the income tax return filed by FRANCIS JEROME CURRY for the year 1945.

Enclosure placed in exhibit section of file R.

62-3375-2357 p 156, p 159

Re General Investigative Intelligence File - Period - January 15 to December 15, 1951 - General Crime Conditions within Chicago Division.

p 156) WILL COUNTY

This county is southeast of Chicago and borders Cook County. Main city and center of population is Joliet.

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Its metropolitan population is approximately 75,000. It is located in a highly industrialized area.

Individual Racketeers and Mobsters

| triancis contri, 510 western avenue, solito, contribute |
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| to be the most notorious citizen of the city and is said |
| to be the Joliet representative of the |
| Chicago syndicate. he spends |
| a great deal of time away from Joliet but when in town |
| frequents the Louis Joliet hotel. |
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| advised that rumor |
| has it in Joliet that CURRY provided the |
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| p 159) Policy Efficiency |
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| closing |
| down all houses of prostitution and gambling in the County. |
| warned all Mayors in |
| Will County to instruct their Police Departments to |
| enforce the gambling laws in the state and stated that he |
| has followed this warning by raids within the corporate limits |
| of some such communities. |
| states that he b6 |
| believes that this positive action on the part of b70 |
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| I has been largely responsible for the fact that 670 FRANCIS CURRY now spends very little time in Joliet. The |
| Sheriff and his office have been <u>very cooperative</u> with |
| Agents of the Chicago Division. advised |
| that the Joliet Police Department., in his opinion, |
| was really working at cleaning up gambling in the city, |
| and. to his knowledge, they have been instrumental in |
| getting all of the slot machines out of operation in all |
| Joes of the and some to be doing a good job in general |
| local clubs and seem to be doing a good job in general. |
| The Joliet Police Department has two National Academy men, |
| is 100 per cent unionized, even including Chief BOE, and |
| operates in an effective and cooperative manner with Agents |
| of the Chicago Division. District 5 of the Illinois State |
| Police has its headquarters about four miles north of |
| Joliet, Illinois. |
| continued to remain friendly and cooperative with |
| Agents of the Chicago Division. As indicated above, this |
| district has been very active and successful in carrying |
| out raids in Northern Illinois on establishments wherein |
| glot mechines have been located |

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94-519-1002 p 2

Chicago Sun-Times, 4 Star Final, April 24, 1958, page 35, col. 1 reflects article, "TIEKEN Lists Chief Hoodlums Here; Police Critical."

A "Who's Who of Hoodlums" in Chicago has been drawn up by U. S. Atty. ROBERT TIEKEN -- with a view toward making trouble for them.

Listed - WILL COUNTY:

THIN MAN CURRY - (rest is torn off).

92-345-330 p 186

| | R | e r | report made at Chicago 3-9-62 by S re EDWARD DAVID VOGEL - AR. | 4 |
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CURRY, FRANCIS J.

| who furnished information contained on pages 41-46, advised on March 3, 1960, that |
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| FRANCIS J. CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. |
| 162-14-31 p 2 |
| Do Mamo to SAC Chicago datad 6-28-61 from SA |

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Re Memo to SAC, Chicago dated 6-28-61 from SA re "Interstate Gambling Activities" Wire Room.

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| On April 19. | 1961. | advised | SA | |
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He said that it was his opinion that the financial control of the J & J operation was held by GUS ALEX, FRANCIS CURRY, SAM GIANCANA, FRANK LA PORTE, and ROCCO FISCHETTI. He stated that this is currently one of the largest gambling operations in the area of Chicago. Informant advised that several years ago

CG 92-1519* 162-14-31 p 2 contid. the same type of operation was set up b6 b7C 92-466-830 p 4 b7D Re Memo to SAC, Chicago from SA dated 8-30-61 Date of contact -Informant advised that on He advised that such individuals as FRANK LA PORTE and FRANCIS CURRY.

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92-466-841 p 2

Ro Momo to SAC from SA dated 9-12-61 Dates of contact 0 7-26, 1961, 8-21-61. 8-28-61.

On 8-21-61, informant advised that the J and J Night Club and Picnic Grove located in the near east section of Will County is once again operating on a nightly basis. He advised the J and J had been closed for several weeks ever since some state or county authorities had put some "heat" on the gambling operations in this establishment. He advised the principal patrons of the J and J are the Cicero and the South Chicago gamblers, many of whose gambling establishments have been closed in the Chicago area and are frequenting the J and J. He advised the interior of this rather obsolete looking building has **b**6 been completely renovated and the gambling amounts are of b7C considerable size every day or evening when gambling is b7D in operation. He advised that the state and county authorities know that gambling is occurring at the J and J and he assumes that at least the county officials are being paid off some percentage. He advised the operation is handled out of the Chicago Heights area with FRANK LA PORTE and local hoodlum FRANCIS CURRY supervising the gambling.

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he Memo to SAC, Chicago from SA dated 9-27-61 re subject, Date of contact -8-30; 9/6, 18, 20, 61.

The informant advised on September 18, 1961, that he had learned that FRANCIS CURRY, local Joliet hoodlum, has been out of Joliet for a period of two months. CURRY is apparently trying to avoid an investigating unit of the Internal Revenue Service which is allegedly in the Joliet area. He stated that CURRY is

Informant stated that CURRY

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| Re Memo to SAC, Chicago from SA |
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| dated 9-28-61 re subject. - Date |
| of contact - 8-8, 16, 24; 9/12, 22, 61. |
| On September 22. 1961. PCT advised that he had heard that a is opening a new restaurant at Illinois. He stated that he heard that the restaurant. in the basement, is being outfitted with gambling |
| The PCI stated that FRANCIS CURRY and MURRAY HUMPHREYS are financially involved in this operation. The operation of therestaurant is allegedly going to be handled |
| 92-466-887 p 2 |
| Re Memo to SAC, Chicago from SA dated 10-16-61 re subject, Date of contact - 9-28-61. |
| Informant advised that |
| is in charge of all of the bookmaking b6 |
| activity in that area. He stated that and is a big rough b7D |
| individual who is tracted with kid gloves by all of the |
| "outfit" individuals. He stated that |
| of the J & J Gambling Casino. |
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| 92-920-30 p 44 |
| Re report made at Chicago 11-30-61 by SA FRANK LA PORTE- Anti-Racketeering. |
| Legitimate Enterprises |
| A person who is familiar with certain elements of Chicago hoodlums advised that he made inquiry into the |
| Illinois, and he noted that they also |
| maintained a store Illinois. The owners of |
| this this partnership are listed as FRANK FRANZ, FRANK |
| LA PORTE, LEO PILOTTI, ALBERT PILOTTI, PETER ZARANTE, and SAM GIOVANNI. On 1-12-61, informant said that |
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CG 92-1519* 92-920-30 p 44 contid. In the late 1930's LA PORTE entered partnership with one JOHN PERRY, and IMY EMERY in operation of slot machines south of Route 6 to the Will County line. same time, he entered another partnership with one FRANCIS CURRY in the operation ofslot machines in Will County, Illinois. The partnership with LA PORTE, EMERY, and PERRY also controlled all handbooks in southern Cook County either by direct ownership or as "lay-off" brokers. 162-14-146 p 80 Re report made at Chicago 1-11-62 by SA CURTIS L. PERRYMAN re Gambling Operations. Chicago area - IGA. on various dates advised SAS that FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, a reputed boss of criminal activities in the Joliet. Illinois, area, could be seen most any night in attendance at the games at the J and J Picnic Grove. 92-466-1588 p 1 Chicago Police Department, advised on 4-15-63 that the following prominent hoodlums were observed in attendance at the Wake of MICHAEL SPRANGE, a well-known Capone associate. Listed is the name of FRANCIS CURRY, among others. 92-920-852 p 11 Re report made at Chicago 8-14-62 by SA re FRANK LA PORTE - AR.

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CURRY has previously been identified as a lientenant

FRANCIS CURRY Western Avonue Joliet, Illinois CG 92-1519*

92-920-852 p 11 cont'd.

of the subject who handlos the subject's interest in Will County, Illinois. In addition, the subject has been reported to have financial interest in a large housing development in Texas. Telephone calls emanating from the subject's residence reflect a call to

By communication dated June 4, 1963, the San Antonio Office advised that the above number is assigned to

According to records in the area, CURRY is the owner of the Cooperative Music Company, Chicago, Illinois, and has telephone number SKYline 5-4684. CURRY's monthly long distance telephone charges range from between \$200 and \$300 per month.

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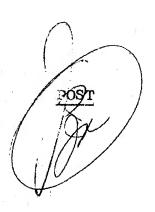
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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

FRANCIS CURRY AR

This subject is a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE. CURRY is reported to handle the organized crime activities in Will County, Illinois. In 1946-47, he spent considerable time in the Louisville area, attempting to establish a "wire service" for the benefit of LA PORTE.

You are requested to review indices and police records and advise of any pertinent information which has not already been furnished to the Chicago Office.



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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Subject considered to control all organized criminal activity in Joliet, Illinois.

It is requested that his driver's license be obtained and description furnished to Chicago. It is further requested that a review of Motor Vehicle Division be made and all automobiles registered to Mrs. MARIAN CURRY, or the subject be furnished to the Chicago UIIICO.

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DIRECTOR, PBI

LEAC, LOUISVILLE (94-184-TH9)

FRANCIS JEROTE CURRY; GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

Re: SAC Letter 53-58

The captioned individual is being deleted from the list of top hoodiums in the Louisville being deleted from it is believed he no longer frequents the Louisville area.

Information received concerning this individual since the last letter to the Bureau dated September 8, 1955, is set out below under the appropriate headings:

PERSONAL HISTORY

No additional information has been developed in this category.

CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

| on September 15, 1955, advised that he had been "reliably" informed that FRANCIS CURRY had been putting "pressure" on the Chief of Police of Louisville to force the Louisville Police Department to permit CURRY to visit Louisville from time to time unmolested by police action. The informant stated he understood that |] |
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| advised that personally had called at his | b6 b7C b7D |
| office on behalf of FRANCIS CURRY. | |
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| desired no conversations at any time with CURRY | |
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| CURRY was leading a respectable existence and was not attempting to do anything illegal in Louisville | |
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and requested that CURRY be permitted to attend the funeral CURRY permission to visit Louisville for three had days to attend the funeral CURRY had remained in town for only a few days and had departed and has not been seen in the Louisville area since that time. ASSOCIATES continues as a female contact if not of FRANCIS CURRY. It is likewise apparent that continues as a contact of subject CURRY. Although Potential Criminal Informant unable to furnish the names of any associates of CURRY at the time he was interviewed on October 17, 1955, it was apparent that he had seen CURRY in the company of

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LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE BUSINESS

The Louisville Office has no further information concerning CURRY's legitimate or illegitimate business other than set out previously.

HANG OUTS

. CURRY's hangouts are unknown except as previously set out.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT PREQUENTED

No additional information is available concerning the above.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD

No additional information is available concerning this matter.

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PHOTOGRAPH

A photograph of CURRY previously has been obtained and is being retained in instant file.

DESCRIPTION

Description of CURRY has been furnished previously.

Memorandum

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 2/28/64

SAC, LOUISVILLE (92-433) (RUC)

SUBJECT: CHANGED: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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The title is being marked changed to set forth full and complete name of subject.

Re Chicago letter to Louisville, dated 12/23/63.

On 1/13/64, the records of the Louisville Police

Department, as checked through and the records of the Jefferson County Police Department, as checked through by SA b7C failed to identify any record of arrest identifiable with FRANCIS JEROME CURRY.

A review of the files of the Louisville Division reflects that on August 17, 1959, the Chicago Division was furnished a copy of Louisville letter to the Director, dated September 8, 1955, entitled, "FRANCIS JEROME CURRY; GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE, (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)". This letter set forth the personal history, criminal activities, associates and other data concerning the subject.

There is being submitted herewith, for the information of the Chicago Division, an autostat copy of Louisville letter to the Director, dated March 22, 1956, entitled, "FRANCIS JEROME CURRY; GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE, (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)".

The files of the Louisville Division reflect the following information which has not been previously furnished the Chicago Division, as referenced in the above mentioned communications:

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| | advised SA HAROLD T. |
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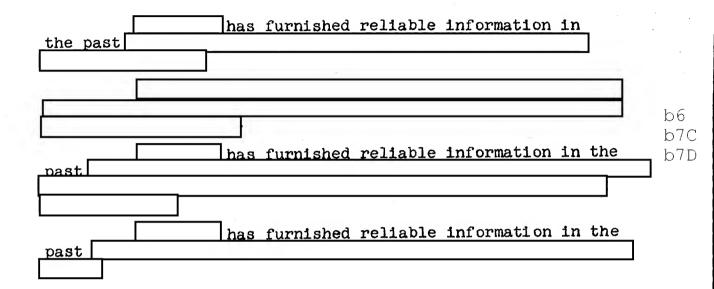
| The informant pointed out that | |
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| In 1956, advised SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP that the late JAMES WILFORD HUMPHREYS of Louisville, Kentucky, (former top hoodlum of Louisville Division and subject of Louisville file 92-71, entitled "JAMES WILFORD HUMPHREYS, aka - AR"), owner of two pinball machine businesses, was an associate of the late ELLIS JOSEPH, a former Lieutenant and Assistant Chief of Detectives of the Louisville Police Department, who resigned under pressure in 1953, following his involvement in petty theft charges. After that, JOSEPH had been active in the operation of night clubs and similar establishments in the Louisville area. The informant further noted that JOSEPH had a connection with FRANCIS JEROME CURRY of Joliet, Illinois, who was one of the "higher-ups" in the Chicago gambling circles. According to the informant, HUMPHREYS may have been associated with CURRY through JOSEPH. | |
| In April, 1957, | |
| [protect identity), confidentially advised that the Treasury Department was at that time conducting an income tax inquiry concerning FRANCIS JEROME CURRY. | b6 b7(|
| On July 7, 1958, reported that the last contact that | b71 |

| and were good friends of FRANCIS | |
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| CURRY, when the latter was in Louisville. the late EARL VINCENT BURTON, head of the | b3 b6 b70 b70 |
| BURTON gang in Louisville. | |
| Louisville Amusement Company. | |
| On May 27, 1959, advised SA HAROLD T. HOTOPH | Р |
| was interested in getting in touch with FRANCIS CURRY at that time. | |
| On July 7, 1959, advised SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP at that time efforts were being made by a Chicago hoodlum named FRANCIS CURRY to organize a wire service distribution system for Louisville. The informant noted | |
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LS 92-433

| On August 13, 1959, advised SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP that he learned was to handle the interests of FRANCIS CURRY in the bookmaking and race wire field | |
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| On March 14, 1960, advised SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP that FRANCIS CURRY was still trying to get on an operation basis and an "off and running" wire service set up in Louisville, but could not find anyone with the proper "contacts". CURRY | |
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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

FRANCIS CURRY, aka., "Thin Man" AR

The subject is known as the Slot Machine King of Joliet, Illinois. He is a close associate of leading Chicago top hoodlums.

subject is residing at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami, Florida.

He is driving a 1963 Chevrolet with 1963 Illinois License

Miami requested to establish contact with the police in order to be advised of the subject's activity. Will also obtain phone tolls from subject's residence as he usually maintains frequent telephonic contact with Chicago top hoodlum FRANK LA PORTE.

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то SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) DATE: 4-16-64 SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-639) - RUC -SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY AR Reurlet to Springfield, dated 2-28-64. The following investigation was conducted by IC at Springfield, Illinois: Auto Registration Section, Springfield, Illinois, advised on April 8, 1964, that a check of records for 1963 and 1964 reflected the following information: 1964 Illinois license DW-9832 was issued January 20, 1964. to _ and/or FRANCIS CURRY, 115 St. Jude Street, Joliet, Illinois, for 1963 Chevrolet, four door, VIN 30969W102988, which was purchased new May16, 1963, from BOB MURPHY Chevrolet, Atkinson, Illinois. Certificate of Title 30969W102988 was issued June 6, 1963, to and/or FRANCIS CURRY for this vehicle with no lien and has not been surrendered to date. 1964 Illinois license lissued January 20, 1964, to 115 St. Jude Street, Joliet, Illinois, for 1961 Buick, four door, VIN _____ which was purchased new April 18, 1961, from Ramme Buick, 775 Broadway, Coal City, Illinois. Certificate of Title was issued to for this vehicle with a lien of \$3345.84, in favor of GMAC, 201 North Ottawa Street, Joliet, Illinois. On January 16, 1964, a corrected Certificate of Title was issued to these individuals for this vehicle to clear the above-mentioned lien and register a lien of \$900.00 in favor of Will County Finance Corporation, 1720 West Jefferson, Joliet, Illinois, and has not been - Chicago (92-1519) 1 - Springfield (92-639)JDH: bal (3) SERIALIZED 64 N

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surrendered to date.

| 1963 Illinois license issued February 14, 1963, to 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, for 1958 Cadillac convertible, VIN which was purchased used July 10, 1962, from Susco Rent-A-Car System, 301 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida. Certificate of Title was issued February 21, 1963, to for this vehicle with no lien and has not been surrendered to date. The application for the abovementioned Illinois title reflects that a Florida title number was surrendered. |
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| Joliet, Illinois, for 1955 Ford, two door, VIN On March 19, 1963, this license was transferred to above-mentioned individuals for 1955 Pontiac, two door, VIN which was purchased used March 3, 1963, from Jake's Auto Wrecking, Joliet, Illinois. |
| 1963 Illinois license issued December 27, 1962, to 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, for 1961 Oldsmobile Sports Sedan, VIN which was purchased used October 20, 1960, from Community Motors, Wellmington, Illinois. Certificate of Title was issued March 9, 1962, for this vehicle with no lien and has not been surrendered to date. |
| also advised that a check of records for 1963 and 1964 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to with a Joliet, Illinois, address. |
| Section, Springfield, Illinois, advised on April 8, 1964, that driver's license number C600-2500-2352 was issued March 1, 1963, to FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. This license expires December 11, 1966, and describes him as follows: |
| Height: 6' Weight: 165 pounds Date of Birth: December 11, 1902 Hair: Brown Eyes: Blue |

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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SUBJECT: FRANCIS CURRY

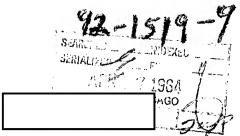
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Chicago Heights, Ill. PD advised on 3-27-64 that FRANK FRANZE, 1728 Halsted St., Chicago Heights, Illinois at 1:30 p.m. on 3-26-64 reported to Lt. FRANK KARAS that a 1963 four door Buick, bearing 1964 Illinois license FU 9304, the property of Co-Operative Music Compay, 1728 Halsted, driver FRANCIS CURRY, 1728 Halsted, was involved in a hit and run accident at 1 a.m. on 3-21-64.

FRANZEr eported that this car had been parked on railroad property on East Hickory Street, across the street from Co-Operative Music when the side of the car was scraped by a second automobile, the driver, being unknown. reported that \$120.00 damage was done to CURRY'S car.

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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY ANTI-RACKETEERING

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ROMANTIC NEWS told tuday is the engagement of Miss Marlene Choyan to Robert J. Curry.

The announcement of their daughter's betrothal is being made by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chovan, 919 Black Rd. Mr. Curry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Curry, 516 Western Ave.

Wedding promises will be recited by the young couple at 12 o'clock noon June 6 in the Cathedrai of St. Raymond 'Nonnatus, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edwin V. Hoover will officiate.

INVITATIONS ARE to be issued for both the wedding and, dinner-reception to take place at 2 o'clock that afternoon at D'Amico's "214."

Miss Chovan, who attended Pine Crest Private School in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and the Iasadena (Calif.) Playhouse College of Theatre Arts, was graduated from Joliet Township High School and Patricia Stevens Career College. She is now teaching at the Patricia Stevens Career College.

MR. CURRY, who attended Mrs. Lyle's Private School in Miami, Fla., is an alumnus of Joliet Catholic High School. Currently, he is a stude in at St. Mary's University, Sf. an Antonio, Tex

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C-1, Joliet Herald-News, Joliet, Ill.

Date: May 10, 1964

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Editor: John F. Lux

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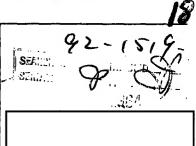
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MISS MARLENE CHOVAN (Leon photo)

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REFERENCE: Chicago letter to Springfield dated 2/28/64.

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Two (2) copies of a memorandum regarding characterization of informants.

ADMINISTRATIVE

This report contains a summary of information located through a search of the Chicago indices.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of subject's hoodlum activities.

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Title:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject currently resides 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Has long history in criminal activities dated back to Prohibition Era. First arrest was in 1920 for disorderly conduct. In the past he has associated with numerous members of Chicago's syndicate. Primary financial means obtained through partherships in Cooperative Music Company, Wilco Music Company, and now defunct Wire Room News Service.

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DETAILS:

PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Birth

CG T-1 advised that FRANCIS CURRY was born December 11, 1902, at Joliet, Illinois. He is the son of ROBERT E. CURRY who died May 5, 1941, at the age of 72.

Marital Status

CURRY is married to MARIAN CURRY and has two children.

Residence

CURRY resides at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Information received from the Miami Beach Police Department indicates that during the winter of 1963, subject resided at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami, Florida.

Background

The subject is the son of ROEERT E. CURRY, a mill worker in various steel mills at Joliet, Illinois. ROBERT CURRY, brother of the subject, was well known in the City of Joliet and throughout the State of Illinois, for his activities in bootlegging of liquor and gambling activities. ROBERT CURRY had a bad reputation and had been arrested on numerous occasions although because of his "connections" in Joliet, and the Will County Sheriff's Office, he did not serve any long term sentences. ROBERT CURRY was killed in an automobile accident in 1944. The following year another brother, HURERT CURRY, was also killed in an automobile accident near the City of Joliet.

FRANCIS CURRY.

CG T-1 advised that the subject is a high school graduate and that he, in 1942, was listed as an employee of the Scale and Vending Machine Company with earnings of \$25,000 annually. He also advised CG T-1 that he was the owner of a farm and devoted a large amount of his time to grain and dairy farming. He stated to CG T-1 that he had never been convicted of any crime.

Inquiry reflects that CURRY owns 3000 acres of farm land in Kendall County, Illinois. The farm is located 18 to 20 miles west of Joliet.

| "The Spectator" a newspaper in Joliet, Illinois, had an article dated December 26, 1944, containing an article written by JOHN T. CLYNE. This article lists several prominent businessmen and public officials who had made good in their particular occupation in the Joliet area. The end of the article stated that FRANCIS CURRY also had made an outstanding reputation for himself as a producer of food and other necessities for living. was interviewed in 1946 and stated that the subject in the early days had owned and operated several small taver; in Joliet. He has also previously been involved in the slot machine racket in Will County, Illinois. According to | |
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| Catholic Womens League, bought \$30,000 worth of war bonds. |
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CRIMINAL RECORD

A review of the Bureau of Identification files of the Joliet Police Department, and the Will County Sheriff's failed to disclose any criminal record for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY. A review of Joliet newspaper morgue reflected the following arrests:

July 24, 1920, disorderly conduct February 8, 1925, liquor violation April 1, 1927, possession of beer

No dispositions were recorded in any of the above charges.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

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time CURRY operated books in Joliet, however, in 1939 all wire room service was discontinued and CURRY discontinued the operation of his books. During the early part of 1943 racing news service was again inaugurated and CURRY opened his bookmaking establishments. CURRY established the Clinton Publishing Company and operated his wire room service from that organization with the assistance of the CAPONE syndicate in Chicago. He also received the services of the Midwest News Service Company.

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INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT

On September 30, 1947, subject was interviewed and admitted that he had been hiding because he thought the FBI had a "ticket" for him in connection with the Congressional hearing regarding parole matters. He stated that his occupation was farming but denied that he had ever had any business transactions with any hoodlums except possibly PAUL DE LUCIA of Chicago. CURRY admitted that just prior to DE LUCIA's incarceration, he rented his 1,100 acre farm in Kendall County, Illinois, and that each years rent was applied against a mortgage on the farm. The mortgage was held by the Prudential Insurance Company at

Springfield, Illinois. The original mortgage was \$100,000.00 and at that time had been reduced to approximately \$75,000.00. CURRY stated that the farm was very profitable and that he took \$50,000.00 off the farm in 1946. The farm contains over 200 head of cattle and about 900 acres of green crops. CURRY admitted that he wrote a letter to the warden at the Leavenworth Penitentiary requesting the release of PAUL DE LUCIA, but that this was the only effort he took for securing the parole of DE LUCIA. He denied that he had ever paid any money for his release.

In 1961 CG T-2 advised that he had recently

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| the J & J Picnic Grove in Will |
| County, Illinois. It is CG T-2's opinion that financial |
| control of the operation was held by GUS ALEX, SAN GIANCANA, |
| FRANK LA PORTE, ROCCO FISCHETTI, and FRANCIS CURRY. Informant |
| stated that this is currently one of the largest gambling |
| operations in the Chicago area. |
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| CG T-2 advised that at one time he was familiar |
| with the operation of the J& J and that the net profit |
| for the house for one evening was \$14,500.00 which was the |
| profit over and above the expenses of operating the gambling |
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| Illinois. He noted that this company |
| also maintains an operation Illinois. The owners |
| of this partnership are listed as FRANK FRANZ, FRANK LA PORTE, |
| LEO PILOTTI, PETER ZARANTE, and SAN GIOVANNI, also FRANCIS CURRY. |
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On January 12, 1961, the informant advised that this company had cash in banks amounting to \$9,000.00, fixtures and equipment of \$100,000.00, and the sales are estimated at over \$100,000.00 a year.

CG T-4 advised on May 5, 1964, that inquiry by him indicates that FRANCIS CURRY is presently retired and that he lives from moneys previously obtained through the operation of Shepley Brothers Garage in Jeliet, Wilco Music and Tobucco Company of Joliet, Cooperative Music Company of Chicago Heights, and a large farm near Joliet. It is this informant's opinion that for services rendered in the past to the crime syndicate, CURRY continues to receive a sizeable amount of money from the above sources.

DESCRIPTION

Name
Sex
Race
Date of Birth
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Residence

Height
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Scars and Marks
Marital Status
Nationality

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY Male White December 11, 1902 Joliet, Illinois 516 Western Avenue Joliet, Illinois 61 140 pounds Slender; slightly stooped Grey; balding on top Blue Light No known Married; 2 children Irish

Pecularities

Dress Characteristic Features Small head; long face; squinty eyes; large protruding ears; large adams apple Wears sports clothes generally

Appears nervous; chews gum; takes large and long steps



In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois May 12, 1964

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURKY

Character

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference

Report of Special Agent dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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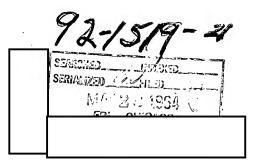
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Miami will check the records of the Dade County, Florida Recorder of Deeds Office to ascertain if property at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, is listed to FRANCIS CURRY.

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Dash of Accardo At Joliet Wedding

With two burly off-duty Joliet detectives guarding the door, Tony Accardo, crime syndicate board chairman, and 300 other guests toasted the marriage Saturday of young Robert Curry with champagne and music.

Accardo, the bridegroom's father, Francis J. Curry—old time gambling boss and a political power in Joliet for 35 years—and the others trekked over to the lavish reception in D'Amico's restaurant, 214 Ottawa st., Joliet, following the high noon nuptials in the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus, seat of the Joliet archdiocese.

200 Not Invited

Some 200 of the 500 guests who attended young Curry's marriage to Marlene Chovan, 21, a shapely brunette and a former model bureau instructor, didn't attend the reception. They weren't invited.

And no one without an invitation got in. Andy Frain ushers and the two Joliet cops, hired by the restaurant's management in accordance with police department procedure, saw to that.

The wedding reception was a real bash.

It compared favorably with the gala affair Accardo threw for the marriage of his daughter, Linda Lee, to a plumber's son in the spring of 1961.

The bridegroom, his father, and the rest of the wedding party showed up in formal attre, top hats, gray trousers, and all.

All in Sunday Best

The altar and the aisles were crammed with chrysanthemums. The guests, most of whom arrived in shiny black limousines, wore fine silks and satins.

The wedding ceremony, which was conducted by the Rev. Msgr. Edwin V. Hoover, lasted about an hour.

After that came the party.

distributor, and his honeymoon in Accept



MR. AND MRS. Robert Curry leave Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet following marriage, attended by crime syndicate chief Tony Accardo.

the municipal parking lot west of the restaurant for his guests but Joliet officials denied the request.

So, instead, he had ushers on hand to park the limousines in a private lot down the block and in a supermarket lot across the street.

Curry and his wife, Marion, beamed happily as the guests began to dance to the music of a 5-piece orchestra. Accardo merely watched the festivities. His wife, Clarice, didn't attend.

The party broke up at 5 p.m. with a few relatives and some of the elder Curry's old-time cronies continuing the merrymaking in the old Curry brick mansion on Western avenue.

Robert Curry, 24, associated with a Chicago Heights music distributor, and his before will honeymoon in Associated

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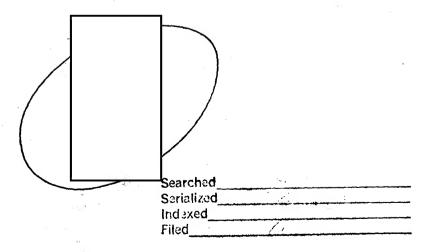
Louisville requested to contact logical informants and determine CURRY's associates and friends in the Louisville area. Obtain photos or descriptions of these individuals and furnish them to Chicago.

On 6/6/64, subjects son, was married at Joliet, Illinois. All leading Chicago hoodlums were photographed as well as several unknowns. Efforts are being made to identify all unknowns in an effort to establish the sphere of influence exercised by the subject. Several of the unknowns observed in lengthy conversations with leaders of organized crime for Chicago.

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| SUBJECT: | FRANCIS CURRY, aka AR | , | |
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| | Acheck of the records of the Office. Dade County Court House, Dade C SA on July 9, 1964, disc deed on file, reflected that of Dade County, Florida, and the consideration of \$10.00 and other g considerations convey and sell to piece of property located at 5801 La Go Florida, having legal description Lot 7 Addition. The deed is recorded in Plat the Public Records of Dade County. Flor conveyed by tog therein and furniture, furnishings, ficontained therein, subject to a first m amount of \$20,000.00 and a second mortg amount of \$10,000.00. | ounty, Flooring and I losed that and I losed that oods and representation of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age and property of the stures and ortgage or age. | prida, by t warranty: nis wife, lis |
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| In regards to the subject spending time in Miami, he was here at his residence in Miami during the past Easter vacation where he spent a couple of weeks. the only visitors he had while in Miami was an elderly couple, | |
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REFERENCE

Louisville letter to WFO dated 12/20/62 captioned "Interstate Transportation of Gambling Devices - Louisville Division, ITGD," (interoffice).

WFO letter to Louisville dated 1/21/63 captioned, "Interstate Transportation of Gambling Devices - Louisville Division, ITGD," (interoffice).

Louisville letter to Indianapolis dated 4/9/63 (interoffice).

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

This case was spened subsequent to receipt of information from WFO in their letter dated 1/21/63. Since that time, this matter has been under continuous investigation and has been kept current by interoffice communications.

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THE LOUISVILLE DIVISION:

AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY:

Will report results of investigation conducted by Indianapolis Division.

Will continue investigation in an effort to determine through records exact date of shipment of seven Balley Silver Sails Pinball Machines by Cooperative Distributing Company, Louisville, Kentucky, to Gateway Cooperative, Evansville, Indiana.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Field Office File No.: LS 143-57

Bureau File No.:

Title:

BERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS:

JOHN FITZGERALD, dba Cooperative

Distributing Company, 219-221 East Market Street,

Louisville, Kentucky

Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF GAMBLING DEVICES

Synopsis:

Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, U. S. Department of Justice, advised subjects have registered to operate gambling devices. EERNARD JACOBS advised that his company has not shipped any type of pinball machine in interstate commerce since passage of new legislation 12/17/62. Review of company records shows sales of 7 Silver Sails Finball Machines to Gateway Cooperative, Evansville, Indiana, invoice dated 1/18/63. JACOBS, in order of Gateway Cooperative, claims 1/18/63 billing date and not shipping date. Breakdown of shipments of 7 Balley Silver Sails Pinball Machines set forth. Central Music Company, Lexington, Ky., shows conditional sales contract date and accepted 11/10/62 from Gateway Cooperative Distributing Co., Evansville, Ind. Description of subject JACOBS set forth.

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DETAILS:

By communication dated January 21, 1963, Washington Field Office advised that records of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, United States Department of Justice, reflect that Cooperative Distributing Company, 219-221 East Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky, reflect BERNARD JACOBS and JOHN FITZGERALD registered as wholesaler and distributor, repair and recondition of pinball machines on December 12, 1962, Justice Department File Number 159-31-60.

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Can-fan type machine in Lexington. The number of this machine is A2480. He stated that it is possible that another Can-Can is in Richmond, Kentucky.

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available records and invoices which reflect machines shipped to Cooperative Distributing during the period from October 1, 1962, he February 1, 1963, inclusive. The breakdown of machines sent to JACOBS, with serial numbers, model numbers, description of machine and quantity sent is as follows:

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October, 1962

(1) Invoice No. 36727P, dated October 31, 1962, reflects that five of Model No. 2610-1, Storesphonic phonographs were shipped. The serial numbers are:

553681 553783 553789 553814 553819

November, 1962

No machines sent to JACOBS during entire month,

December, 1962

- (1) Invoice No. 3093P, dated December 21, 1962, one 200 Selection Stareephonic phonograph, model No. 2600-3, Serial No. 545064, shipped to Cooperative Distributing direct from inventory of New Jones Distributing Company, Indianapelis, Indiana, which firm was credited by the Wurlitzer Company.
- (2) Invoice No. 30955P, dated December 31, 1962, two 196 Selector Stereophenic phonographs, both model No. 2710-1, shipped from North Tonswinds, New York, to Cooperative Distributing, Louisville, Eantucky, Serial numbers are:

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(3) Invoice No. 30962, dated December 31, 1962, two model No. 2700-1, Stepes-phonographs sent from Morth Tonawanda to JACOBS. Serial numbers

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January, 1963

(1) Invoice No. 31020P, dated January 9, 1963, three 100 Selection Stereo-phonographs, madel No. 2710-1, Serial numbers are:

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One 200 Selection Storeo-phonograph, model No. 2700-1, Septel number:

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(2) Invoice No. 310219, dated January 9, 1963, ene 200 Selection Stereo-phonograph, model No. 2700-1, Serial Enumber:

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Three 100 Salastion Stores-phonographs, model to. 2710-1, Serial numbers:

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business from JACOBS and his firm in Louisville. He stated, after checking with several officials of the Wurlitzer Company Office Staff, that his company does not now nor has it ever manufactured or distributed any machines other than phonographs or musical instruments. He has never heard of a Silver Sail Machines, in possession of JACOBS, are most certainly not serial numbers utilized by the Wurlitzer Company.

In conclusion.

made between Cooperative Distributing in Lewisville, and Detevay Cooperative in Evansville, would be conducted between themselves as the Wurlitzer contract with JACOBS calls for all distribution shipments of Wurlitzer products to be shipped to Louisville.

By communication dated April 5, 1963, the Identification Division furnished the following identification record for HERMARD WOLFRED JACONS, no FBI number, Louisville Felice Department Number 107018:

Contributor of Name and Number Arrested or Received Charge Disposition Received

PD Louisville Ky Bernard Wolfred 1-15-57 selling Filed away Jacobs #107018 beer after 2/20/57 hours

North Limestone Street, Lexington, Eentucky, advised SA on May 3, 1963, that informed her no check was issued by the Central Music Company for the alleged cash down payment of \$1,240.00 upon the purchase of the three Wurlitzer phonographs and two Balley Silver Sails machines. This amount represented a cash discount.

First Security National Bank and Trust Company, Lexington, Kentucky, as its banking institution for the last three years.

The following investigation was conducted on May 22,

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of Louisville, advised she could locate no record in her files identifiable with JOHN FITZERALD.

She advised her records reflect one EKRNARD W. JACOBS, residence 3701 Rosa Terrace. He listed his employment at Cooperative Distributing Company, Louisville. He has been in file since January, 1953. He had one claim filed against him in January, 1953, by a men's store for \$241.00 which is unpaid.

Bureau, advised her records reflect the fellowing:

BERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS - white male, born January 29, 1911, 6 feet 1 inch, 195 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes, residence 221 East Market Street.

JOHN PATRICK PITZGERALD - white male, bern December 8, 1905, 5 feet 5 inches, 138 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, residence 221 East Market Street.

Police Department, advised as follows:

JOHN PATRICK FITZGERALD, white male, born December 8, 1907, residence 4723 South Third Street in 1956, was arrested March 30, 1956, for Mit and Run. On June 16, 1956, he was fined \$15.00.

Police Department records as white male, born January 29, 1911, 6 feet 1 inch, 185 pounds, brown eyes, black hair, residence 3701 Rosa Terrace, Shively, Kentucky, Louistille Police Department Number 107018, and has the following arrest record:

| Arrested | Charge | Disposition |
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| June 22, 1947 | Reckless Briving, Destruction of Private Property (auto) KRS 189-520 | 189-520 fined \$90, others filed away 7/5/47 |
| January 15, 1957 | KRS 244-290 and VCO 61 (Selling liquor on licensed premises after hour | Filed away 2/20/5? |
| March 12, 1959 | KRS 189-520, Reckle Driving, Run Red L | res Fined \$100 on Reckless light Driving; others filed away 3/18/59 |
| February 2, 1963 | Destruction of Privile Property (auto) | vate Own bond \$500 for wix months, 2/26/63 |

The following is a physical description of MERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS, also known as Barney Jacobs:

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Race Caucasian 611" Sex Height: Weight: 174 Hair Brown Eyes: Brown January 29, 1911 Chicago, Illinois Date of Birth: Place of Birth: Citizenship: American 3701 Rosa Terrace in 1957 Coin machine distributer Residence: Occupations Fingerprint Classification: III IOI 19

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: July 31, 1964

SAC. LOUISVILLE (92-433) (P)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, Aka.

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Reference Chicago letter to Louisville, 7/1/64, and Louisville letter to Chicago, 2/28/64.

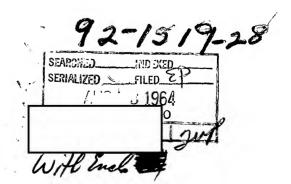
Transmitted herewith for the information of the Chicago Division is one photograph of BERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS, as well as one copy of the report of SA dated May 28, 1963, at Louisville entitled, "BERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS: JOHN FITZGERALD, dba Cooperative Distributing Company, 219-221 East Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky, ITGD", which on pages 13 - 15 contains background information on JACOBS, including descriptive data. It is noted that JACOBS is reputed to be one of CURRY's closest friends as the Chicago Division has been previously advised.

For the information of the Chicago Division JACOBS continues to be the subject of a pending investigation by the Louisville Division bearing the caption of the enclosed report.

Relative to other individuals in the Louisville, Kentucky area who were reportedly associates of CURRY, JAMES WILFOLD HUMPHREYS, ELLIS JOSEPH. EARL VINCENT BURTON. EARL GAAR, SR., and BUTSY O'BRIEN, are all deceased.

Upon completion of contacts with logical CIs and PCIs regarding the current contacts and associates of the subject in Louisville, photographs and descriptive data will be furnished the Chicago Division in accordance with referenced letter.

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Marlene Chovan Recites Vows With Robert J. Curry

day's brides was Miss Marlene point ribbon trim. Each wore a matching silk, long white kid Chovan, who exchanged vows colored-cued headpiece of gos gloves and a corsage of green with Robert J. Curry at 12 samer veiling and petti-point ribo'clock noon yesterday in the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonna-bon, and carried daisies of the garbed in a three - piece shell

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edwin V. Hoo-green foliage. seph F. Chovan, 919 Black Rd., attendants. and the son of Mr. and Mrs.

ed by her father up the white Tom Ostrem, Robert Madjak, carreted aisle, wore an exquis- William Moroni, Nicholas Kovaite floor-touching sheath of white cevich. John Wylie, Richard Robodice by appliques of crystal carney. bead and pearl embroidered Alencon lace. Identical lace motifs re-appeared as highlights on the chapel-drawn back panels that cascaded from the veil of French silk illusion was reception a D'Amico's "214." shoulder line. Her triple-tiered caught in a bouffant manner to a high-rising open faced pillbox overscored with crystal beaded illusion. She carried an elegant,

Joan Enich, Miss Carol Welch handbag, bride, advanced to the white complexion. flower bedecked altar.

Mary Alice Curry, who attended touching gown of mint green anher future sister-in-law as tique silk with softly thaped maid of honor.

toe-touching gowns of a qualpink and lavender. With this. Belgium linen detailed by short she wore a matching mint crotted

ONE OF THE prettiest of to-sleeves, fishtail trains and petti-veil caught by a back bow of same complexion backed by pink suit of Alaskan silk (un-

ver, rector, officiated at the late Flower girl was Joyce Grunspringtime ceremony uniting the net, cousin of the bride. She was daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jo-dressed identically to the adult

JOHN GRDINA came from er. Francis Curry, 516 Western Ave. Willoughby, Ohio, to attend his The dark-haired bride, escort-cousin as best man. Ushers were silk peau de soie festooned at the binson, Ronald Chovan, brother bateau neckline of the empire of the bride, and Dr. Joseph

> The couple received a special papel blessing from Pope Paul

Guests were greeted by whe couple at an afternoon dinner-Miss Janet Suste, cousin of the bride, had charge of the guest

The bride's mother chose yet simple, bouquet of three a formal - length gown featuring white orchids and waxy lilies-of- a skirt of soft rose peau de sole overscored by a bodice of color-AT THE START of the cere-cued bugle beads and shimmermony, the bridesmaids: Miss ing pseudo pearls. Her shoes, diminutive and Mrs. Walter Martin and headpiece and orchid corsage Mrs. Gene Hibler, cousins of the were in a shade of the same

For her son's marriage, Mrs. They were followed by Miss Curry elected to wear a floorskirt and jacket of filmy French All were attired in empire lace over net delicately tint ed in

cypridpediums.

THE NEW MRS. Curry was derscored by a blouse frosted in pale pink beads and large baroque pearls) when the couple departed for a wedding trip to Acapulco, Mex. Her accessones. were in dove gray patent lepth-

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MRS. ROBERT J. CURRY
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Chicago, Illinois August 11, 1964

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY ANTI-RACKETEERING

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

| This report reflects excessive investigative |
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| period. It has been maintained in a current status |
| through interoffice communication. It is noted that |
| the reporting agent was actively involved in investigation |
| of a Chicago special entitled, |
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INFORMANTS

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

| Copy to: | 1 - USA, Chicago | | |
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| Report of: Date: | SA | Office: | Chicago |
| Field Office File | No. 92-1519 | Bureau File | No.: |
| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | |
| Character: | ANTI-RACKETEERING | | |
| Synopsis: | Subjects son, of Joliet, Illi: Prominent Chicago and attended the wedding rathe Joliet business comboth the wedding and the background set forth. Music Company in Chicago basis and has been obstop hoodlum FRANK LA Powith subject in his Missubject uses approximately three wese | South Cook Courseception. Numer Munity were of the reception. Subject observed in conference of the co | 4, at Joliet. nty hoodlums erous leaders of bserved attending Subject's financial ved at Cooperative linois on regular rence with Chicago |

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DETAILS:

I. RESIDENCE

| By communication dated July 27, 1964, the | |
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| Miami Division advised that a review of the records of | |
| the Recorder of Deeds Office, Dade County Courthouse, | |
| Dade County. Florida, by SA on July 9, | |
| 1964, disclosed that Warranty on File number | |
| reveals that of | |
| Dade County, Florida, and for the consider- | |
| ation of \$10 and other goods and valuable considerations | |
| convey and sell to the following piece | |
| of property located at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami | |
| Beach, Florida, having the legal description of | |
| lot 7, block 8, beach view addition. The deed is | |
| recorded in plat book 16 on page 10 of the Public Records | |
| of Dade County, Florida. The property was conveyed | 1 6 |
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| together with improvements | b7C |
| and furniture, furnishings, fixtures and equipment | . b7D |
| contained therein, subject to a first mortgage on the | 3 1 272 |
| principal amount of \$20,000 and a second mortgage | |
| and principal in the amount of \$10,000. | |
| advised SA July 23, 1964, | |
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| stated that the CURRY family seldom spent much | |
| time in Miami. | |
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With regard to subject's appearance in Miami, source advised that he was last at his residence during the 1964 Easter vacation, at which time he remained

| at the house for approximately two weeks. The only visitors while he was in Mismi was an elderly couple | |
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| CURRY's activities and associations in Illinois are unknown, but understood that Mr. CURRY is employed as a farmer in Illinois. | b b b |
| Investigation at Miami, Florida discloses that no telephone service is available at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. | |
| there is a gardener and housekeeper that attend the house once a week throughout the year. that in addition to CURRY's automobile, there was an automobile parker frequently in the driveway of the residence with 1964 Illinois License This automobile is registered to | ·. |

II. ASSOCIATES

| On June 3, 1964, the subject |
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| FRANK LA PORTE, who is a top |
| hoodlum of the Chicago Office. |
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| On the same |
| date, the subject |
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| CG T-2 advised that |
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| CURRY was observed |
| parking his car in the driveway |
| In addition. |
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| observed parked in the |
| same driveway. |
| On Town C 1004 with the table to the |
| On June 6, 1964, subject's son, |
| was married at the Cathedral of St. Raymond |
| Nanutus, Joliet, Illinois, to Approximately |
| 200 guests attended the affair. Immediately following |
| the wedding a reception was held at D'Ameco's "214" |
| Restaurant at Joliet. Approximately 500 guests were in |
| attendance |

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The following known Chicago top hoodlums were observed entering the restaurant and apparently expressing their congratulations to both the subject and his son:

> FRANK LA PORTE PAUL "THE WAITER" RICCA MURRAY "THE CAMEL HUMPHREYS FELIX "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO

ARTHONY "BIG TUNA" ACCARDO LESTER "KILLER KANE" KRUSE

The following south suburban hoodlums who have been described by various sources in the past as members of LA PORTE's "family" were observed at the reception"

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T-2 advised that it is his understanding that CURRY at present is not particularly active in the hoodlum field, but that he has considerable "respect" from the Chicago syndicate because of his operation of the wire room service during the 1940's. Source advised that PAUL "THE WAITER" RICCA previously sponsored him in several of his hoodlum ventures.

Most of the subject's interest in the vending machine and horse booking operations

Chicago Heights,
Illinois Police Department, advised that FRANK
FRANZE, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights,
Illinois, at 1:30 PM reported that a 1963
four door Buick bearing Illinois license FU 9304,
the property of Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted,
Chicago Heights, was involved in a hit and run
accident at 1:00 AM on May 21, 1964. The driver of the
car was listed as FRANCIS CURRY, 1728 Halsted Street.
FRANZE reported that this car had been parked on the
Railroad property on East Hickory Street in Chicago
Heights, across the street from the Cooperative Music
Company. The side of the car was damaged by a second

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automobile, the driver of which was unknown. It is noted that the subject is listed as a partner of the Cooperative Music Company.

On May 22, 1964, subject was observed at Soviva Restaurant in Chicago Heights, in conversation with FRANK LA PORTE and another unknown individual. Spot checks further reflect subject visits the Cooperative Music Company on a regular basis.

On the editorial page of the "Chicago Sun-Times" a daily newspaper, under "Letters to the Editor" in the June 12, 1964 edition, the following letter appeared which reads in part as follows:

"ON WEDDING REPORTING

"I like The Sun-Times very much, but I was very perturbed over the June 7 article 'Gangland Swanks At Joliet Wedding' describing the Francis Currys' son's wedding and reception.

personally, but I do know his wife and daughter and they are the lovliest people you would want to meet.

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"I don't believe too many people were interested in all that dirt; what people like to read about a wedding is what the bride and bridesmaids wore and something about the reception.

"I thought the article was written in very poor taste and certainly at the wrong time, a wedding is no time to rehash all that malarky that is really old, stale news to everyone."

In the same edition, the following editorial was set forth:

"Weddings Make News

The our letters column on this page today a reader takes us to task for the manner in which our news story described in full detail the wedding in Joliet last Saturday of the son of a crime syndicate leader. Some readers may also take exception to our full coverage of the wedding and reception wednesday of the son of the gang leader Anthony J. Accardo.

"Persons who react to such news stories because of concern for the feelings of the newlyweds would like newspapers to pretend that the weddings were merely routine family affairs.

"If the fathers of the bridgrooms had wished them to be routine family affairs they could have refrained from inviting the big shots of the underworld to them, and turning the weddings into assemblages of Cosa Nostra gangaters.

"When such assemblages take place, for whatever reason, federal and state authorities keep tab on the guests. The public is entitled to know what is going on. Responsible newspapers cannot pretend that what is happening in the community is not happening. When the invitations went out to the crime lords of the nation, the fathers of the grooms knew that publicity was sure to follow. And, we suspect, they, if not their children, are not as upset about the stories as our nice Joliet correpondent."

The following automobiles were observed being driven to the main exit of D'Ameco's (214) Restaurant and

the occupants were observed entering the reception:

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995862 FRANK FRANZE 1730 Cambridge, Flossmoor, Illinois

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| | FC 5266 Cooperative Music Co. 1728 Halsted Chicago Heights, Illinois |
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III. ASSETS

CG T-4 advised that in 1957, FRANCIS CURRY reported profits of \$24,595.58 from the renting of "coin operated machines." The subject advised informant that on this amount he paid \$9,380.39 in Federal income tax. He explained that this was his individual income and that his wife and children submitted separate profit and loss information to the Government. Informant stated that subject indicated that a firm by the name of Baneley and Kiener of 130 N. Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, did most of his bookkeeping. CURRY further advised the informant that the business name of his coin machine rental company is known as the Automatic Coin Machine Company, Two North Des Plaines Street, Joliet, Illinois, and that the total receiptsof the company were \$124.866.

In 1958 subject claimed that he made a profit of \$15,349.05 and that he paid taxes in the amount of \$4,207.67. He claimed that his source of income was the same but that the total receipts of the company in that year amounted to \$70,457. In 1959, subject claimed that he made business profits of \$15,750.65 and paid taxes in the amount of \$3,722.78. The source was from the same comany which did a gross business of \$87,788.

In 1960, he maintained the same company and made a profit of \$15,336.63 and paid a tax of \$4,305.42. He claimed that his gross receipts from the company for that year amounted to \$74,745.

In 1961, the only claim of business income was in the amount of \$9,560.04 and that a tax of \$2,228.61 was paid inasmuch as his total receipts from the Automatic Coin Machine Company had dropped \$43,223.05.

In 1962, he maintained that his company made gross receipts in the amount of \$26,853.40 and that his profit or income amounted to only \$1,968.24 of which he paid a tax of \$219.65.

CURRY's income from gambling has been considerably reduced because of more effective police action.



In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois August 11, 1964

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character

ANTI-RACKSTEERING

Reference

Report of Special Agent dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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The above information is being furnished for 92-1519 file.

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TO:

SAC, LOUISVILLE (92-433)

FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Subject's daughter, will be in Joliet, Illinois, on 10/3/64, married to at 12:00 noon. Sources advise that a large "hoodlum" turnout is expected as well as many out of town associates of the subject.

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Louisville requested to alert infrmants and attempt advise of any well known Louisville hoodlums that may be expected to travel to Chicago to attend wedding. Photograph coverage anticipated and unidentified guests will be furnished to your office for a possible identification.

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'Marry'-Go-Round of Parties Honors Mary Alice Curry

MISS MARY ALICE Curry's ert Curry and Mrs. Gerald Smith Miss Patty Kennedy and Miss ropularity is evidenced by the presided at the silver service. number of parties given over the summer months in honor of her ney of Kewanee. Ill.

First to fete their daughter and her fiance were Mr. and Mrs. Francis Curry, 516 Western at a champagne reception June ble covered with a pink cloth ners.

residence, 305 Wilcox St.

The refreshments table was bowl containing white

engagement and approaching at the Martinique restaurant was Joliet Country Club. The dinner marriage to Dr. Joseph B. Car-held the evening of Aug. 11 with table was centered by a cascad-Mrs. Joseph Ambrozich and Mrs. ling arrangement of pink snap-

Ave., who were host and hostess attendants were seated at a ta-blossoms decorated the four cor-21 in the Cypress room of the and appointed with delicate pa-were the guests of honor at a On Aug. 9, Miss Judy Rohmer matching hue. A bridal cake, per given by Mr. and Mrs. Roband Miss Marlene Wirth enter-decorated in pink and white, ert P. Kiep the evening of Aug. towered from a stand to the left 29 at their home, 605 N. Larkin of the future bride's table.

covered with an ecru lace cloth rose were host and hostess at a guests from tables set up on the patio party and ashtray shower spacious lawn of the Kiep home. fuji the evening of Aug. 22 at their The bride-elect's sister-in-law, 'mums, pink daisies and white home, 1704 Arden Place. A buf-Mrs. Robert Curry, was hostess carnations. Miss Judy Wheeler, fet supper was served to the 30 to 20 guests at an apron shower guests from a trio of tables and brunch Aug. 31 at D'Amico's swathed in red and white restaurant, 2219 W. Jefferson St. checked cloths.

kitchen shower given by Mrs. ald Smith, 1910 West Acres Rd. Arrie A. Deirose, 1205 Caton MISS PENNY O'Donnell entershaped table draped in white at 714 Center St., Plainfield. Aslinen and appointed with bou-sisting the hostess in serving quets of pink rose buds, white were her mother, Mrs. Harry B. snapdragons and hyacinth blos-O'Donnell, and sisters, Miss Vir-

Mrs. Raymond J. Kennedy Ir., and Mrs. Edward D'Arcy.

Sally Kennedy entertained at a A LINEN shower and dinner crystal shower and dinner at the Joseph Matalone as co-hostesses. dragons, white chrysanthemums The bride-to-be and her chosen and gardenias. Nosegays of pink

pier mache umbrellas in a cocktail party and buffet sup-Ave. Dinner was served al fres-Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Del-co style to the more than 50

Miss Curry's bridge club sur-The Presidents' room of the prised her with an around-the-Joliet Country Club provided the clock shower the evening of setting for the luncheon and Sept. 3 in the home of Mrs. Ger-

Ave., the afternoon of Aug. 26 tained at a spinster's dinner the Guests were seated at a U-evening of Sept. 11 in her home ginia O'Donnell, Miss Mary O'-ON THE evening of Aug. 28, Donnell, Mrs. John D'Arcy Jr.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE:

9/30/64

FROM

BAC, LOUISVILLE (92-433) (P)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka.

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Re Chicago letter to Louisville dated 7/1/64, and Louisville letter to Chicago dated 7/31/64.

that he had not heard of FRANCIS LEE CURRY being in the Louisville, Ky., area for a number of years. During the time he was in Louisville, particularly in 1946-1947, he was reputedly very close to

Informant declared that the other known associates of CURRY in Louisville appeared to have been "RED" JACOBS (deceased) and BARNEY JACOBS, who currently operates a pinball machine business with office on East Market Street, Louisville, Ky. CURRY had some contact with the late Lt. ELLIS JOSEPH, generally known as "GYP" JOSEPH, who was formerly connected with the Louisville PD and discharged because of alleged corruption. Informant felt that

BARNEY JACOBS.

Informant noted that CURRY, while he was in town, was reputedly handling Chicago interests in connection with race wire service and had hoped to make an inroad into bookmaking in the Louisville, Ky., area. Inasmuch as the bookmakers in the Louisville, Ky., area are a rather close knit group and will not tolerate individuals from outside of the area

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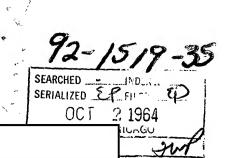
the police department continually harassed CURRY and practically ran him out of Louisville telling him not to return.

informant knew of no interests that CURRY might have in Louisville.

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| On 7/31/64, advised SA that to his knowledge, CURRY has not returned to Louisville, Ky., in the recent past. CURRY had been close to in connection with but that was a number of years ago. Among the closest associates of CURRY. was, in addition to "RED" JACOBS (deceased), BARNEY JACOBS, the late "GYP" JOSEPH and the late JIMMY HUMPHREYS. stated that it appeared to him that JACOBS would be the two contacts of CURRY in Louisville, Ky., at this time. | |
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| On 9/15/64, PCI advised SA that from inquiry he had made, there was no indication that FRANCIS JEROME CURRY of Chicago, Ill., who had been an old race result man, has any financial interests in Louisville, Ky., at this time. He had always been referred to as being close to the late "GYP" JOSEPH (former Lt. ELLIS JOSEPH of the Louisville PD). JOSEPH was the personal contact of CURRY in Louisville when he attempted to "muscle in" on the wire service in Louisville, which had been originally set up by the late EARL GAAR, SR. Informant noted that from what he could determine, the only possible contact with any significance in Louisville that CURRY might have would be | k k |
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| Relative to this individual is He is described as follows: | |
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| Name: Sex: Race: Citizenship: Occupation: | |
| Born: Marital Status: Height: Weight: Eyes: Complexion: Build: Criminal record: | |

b6 b7C b7D LS 92-433 Peculiarities: There is no record of any arrest of and no photograph of him is available. The following sources of the Louisville Division were contacted by SA[relative to FRANCIS JEROME CURRY on the dates indicated below without effecting any pertinent information concerning him: Date of Contact Source 9/4/64 PCI 9/4/64 PCI b6 8/31/64 b7C b7D 9/4/64 PCI 9/11/64 PCI 9/4/64 8/31/64 PCI LEADS THE LOUISVILLE DIVISION: AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY: for any additional information Will recontact he may have regarding CURRY as to his current activities and in particular, information he may have regarding attendance at the marriage of CURRY's son on 6/6/64 at Joliet, Ill.

Mary Alke Curry Is Wed r. Joseph B. Toler HAROLD - News

By MARLENE WIRTH Assistant Society, Editor

embroidered Alencon lace and length. ivory silk faced pean de soie encrusted with pearls and cry-swathed in ivory rosepoint lace stals was worn by Miss Mary from the headpiece her mother Alice Curry for her marriage Saturday morning to Dr. Joseph leased her cathedral - length B. Carney of Kewanee.

Rev. Edward Carney, brother service between the daughter of on the mother-of-pearl prayer Mr. and Mrs. Francis Curry, 516 book she received for her firs Western Ave., and the son of Communion. Mrs. Thomas B. Carney, 611 S. late Dr. Thomas, B. Carney.

Rev. Raymond Morrison.

e Communion, and the mass was fon roses. g sung by the children's choir of > St. Joseph's school.

arrangements

TO THE FAMILIAR strains of ioned of the same the - embroid-ered Alencon lace that paved the breath. bodice and formed the elaborate front panel, frosted in pearls

and crystals, that extended to the floor. The gracefully flow-brother as best man. A violin en-AN EXQUISITE gown of re-ing skirt cascaded to cathedral-

An open - crowned pillbox, wore on her wedding day, reveil of ivory silk illusion. She of the bridegroom, performed wore short white kid gloves and the 11 o'clock splemn nuptial carried a trio of white orchids

Preceding Miss Curry up the Tremont, Kewange, and the aisle was Mrs. James Rasmussen (the former "Boots" Kiep), Assisting at the ceremony in matron of honor. She was gown-bride and bridegroom placed a St. Joseph's Catholic, church ed in an empire - drawn sheath candle at the memorial shrine of were Rt. Rev. Msgr. M. J. Bu- of blush pink coupe de velour her grandparents, the late Mr. tala, Rev. Ward Morrison and accented by fiesta pink cut vel-and Mrs. Joseph Zalar Sr. vet roses. It featured a shell D'AMICO'S "214" provided the Guest organist was Anthony neckline, teacup sleeves and a setting for the wedding break-Rozman, who also provided the toe - touching skirt. Her white fast following the ceremony. background music at the bride's kid gloves were of the eight-Friends and relatives passed parents' wedding 29 years ago. button variety, and a wreath of through a receiving line position-Miss Peggy Videtich, a for-pink satin leaves enhanced her ed before the Fountain room mer student of Miss Curry's, dark tresses. She carried a cas-staircase appointed with two 1- played the "Ave Maria" during cading arrangement of pink chif- cone - shaped trees fashioned of

nue were Miss Penny O'Donnell, chrysanthemums and greenery of maid of honor, and Miss Judy decorated the fountain and bal-French pink gladfoli, white Rohmer, Mrs. Robert P. Kiep, cony. chrysanthemums and emerald Mrs. Arrie A. Delrose, Mrs. e ted palms and golff candelabra. ter - in - law of the bride), Miss bouquets of pink roses. 1- White satin bows fied the clus- Suzanne Figg and Miss Marlene Members of the bridal party e ters of white chrysanthemums wirth, bridesmaids. Their en-took their places at a long table l- and emerald leaves marking the sembles were styled identically fronting the east wall. Swathed with Mrs. Rasmussen's.

Pretty little Geraldine Kiep pointed with three white porce-"The Wedding March," Miss performed the duties of flower lain cherubs holding cascading 1 Curry advanced up the ivory girl. She paraded up the aisle arrangements of white chrysatin carpeted ais the arm wearing an empire - drawn santhemums and pink roses inof her father. Her classic gown, gown of white organdy over terspersed with greenery. reminiscent of the 17th century blush pink organdy. A wreath of Garlands of lacy green spring-Spanish era, was designed with blush pink rose buds topped her erie edged the satin and tulle below - the - elbow sleeves fash- tresses, and she carried a nose- covered table holding the triple-

Thomas Carney attended his semble offered selections as guests were ushered to their seats by Robert Curry (brother of the bride), Michael Grdina and Dr. Joseph Zalar Jr., (cousins of the bride), Keith Bracken, Dr. Richard Terry and Vincent Arch of Kewanee, Raymond J. Kennedy Jr., Arrie A. Delrose and Dr. William Bevan, a former classmate of the bridegroom. Master James Grdina, cousin of the bride, acted as ringbearer.

Preceding the ceremony, the

white glamellias and greenery. CONTINUING the bridal reti-Artistic arrangements of white

Guests were seated in the l-leaves decorated the main altar, Michael Grdina, Mrs. Joseph T. Chantilly room at round tables which was also flanked by pot- Delrose, Mrs. Robert Curry (sis- (each seating ten) festooned by

in pale pink linen, it was ap-

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Carney donned a formal h sheath of sandalwood brocade with a matching et. Her diminutive hat was harmonizing hue, and she ; long white kid gloves. She ed a corsage of green cymım orchids to her purse. or her wedding trip to Las as, Nev.; San Francisco, f., and Hawaii, the new Mrs. ney changed to a wood violet l ensemble featuring an Askirt and misty blue silk se topped by an empirewn coat with shirring detailthe back yolk.

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Mary Alice Curry, Dr. J. B. Carney Announce Attendants for Wedding

Saturday morning when she ap-serve as his best man. Ushers' Ohio, will act as ringbearer. proaches the altar of St. Joseph's Catholic church to ex-Dr. Joseph B. Carney of Kewan-

Preceding the bride up the aisle will be Mrs. James Rasmussen, a childhood friend and classmate of Miss Curry's at Barry College. Maid of honor will be Miss Penny O'Donnell of Plainfield.

Also in the bridal retinue will be Mrs. Robert Curry (sister-inlaw of the bride), Mrs. Arrie A. Delrose, Mrs. Joseph T. Delrose, Mrs. Robert P. Kiep, Miss Suzanne Figg, Miss Judy Rohmer. Mrs. Michael Grdina of Bethesda, Md., and Miss Marlene Wirth.

Little Geraldine Kiep will perform the duties of flower girl.

MISS MARY Alice Curry's DR. CARNEY has asked his Keith Bracken. Jr., Dr. Joseph Zalar Jr. and B. Carney.

shining hour will be 11 o'clock brother, Thomas Carney, to James Grdina of Cleveland, duties will be carried out by Miss Curry's parents are Mr. Robert Curry (brother of the and Mrs. Francis Curry, 516 1 bride-to-be), Dr. William Bevan, Western Ave., while Dr. Carney change nuptial promises with Arrie A. Delrose, Dr. Richard is the son of Mrs. Thomas B. Terry, Vincent Arch, Miceahl Carney, 611 S. Tremont Ave., Ke-I Grdina, Raymond J. Kennedy wanee, and the late Dr. Thomas

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JOLIET HAROLD-News



MRS. JOSEPH B. CARNEY
(Miss Mary Alice Curry)
(Guthman photo)

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Chicago, Illinois October 13, 1964

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY. Also Knon As ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

| CG T-1 is | |
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AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extend of the subject's hoodlum activities.

INFORMANTS

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Report of:

Field Office File No.:

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Date:

10/13/64

92-1519

Bureau File No.:

Title:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character:

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Synopsis:

Subject and wife continued to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Subject's background and control in Joliet, Illinois, set forth. Subject's daughter, was married on 10/3/64 to

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CG 92-1519 DETAILS: RES IDENCE Subject continues to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. According to | Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, subject is considering closing his large mansion at this location. the reason being that both his children were recently married and are living stated there is considerable away from home. rumor that the subject contemplates moving permanently from Joliet. He is expected to retire to his home at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. Subject's daughter, will reside in ASSOCIATES CG T-1 advised on August 5, 1964, that he has not heard of FRANCIS CURRY being in the Louisville, Kentucky, area for a number of years. During the time he was in Louisville, particularly in 1946-1947, he was reputedly b6 very close to b7C b7D Source declared that the other known associates of CURRY in Louisville were "RED" JACOBS (deceased) and BARNEY JACOBS, who currently operates a pinball machine business with an office on East Martin Street, Louisville, Kentucky. CURRY had some contact with the late Lieutenant ELLIS JOSEPH, generally known as GYP JOSEPH, who was connected with the Louisville Police Department and was discharged because of alleged corruption. Source noted that CURRY while he was in town was reputedly handling Chicago interest in connection with race wire service and had inroad bookmaking in the area. Inasmuch as the bookmakers in Louisville are a rather close net group they will not tolerate individuals from outside the area.

the Police Department continually harassed CURHY and practically ran him out of Louisville telling him not to return. As a result of this type of treatment, the source advised he knows of no interest that CURRY might have in Louisville at the present time. CG T-2 advised on July 31, 1964, that to his knowledge, CURRY has not returned to Louisville in the recent in connection past. CURRY had been close to but this was several years ago. The with only person CURRY would contact at present would probably be BARNEY JACOBS. CG T-3 advised that CURRY's main help in Louisville was the late Lieutenant JOSEPH of the Louisville Police Department. He contacted JOSEPH when he attempted to "muscle in" on the wire service in Louisville. b6 This service had originally been set up by the late EARL GAAR, SR. This source advised that he had not b7C received any information indicating that CURRY had returned. b7D to the Louisville area. Joliet, Illinois, Police Department advised that he has been on the department for approximately 20 years and that during the early part of his tenure, CURRY was considered one of the biggest men in Joliet. According to rumor and other information, he that CURRY got his start has developed. from his relation with CURRY's brother, ROBERT, was considered the biggest bootlegger in Will County. FRANCIS CURRY was not heard of until the first of the KELLY brothers was murdered in Joliet. This murder reportedly took place in a fight to control jukeboxes and slot machines, in Will County. advised that it was his understanding that the KELLY brothers originally started the jukebox business in Joliet and were left alone. Subsequently it came to the attention of the Italian criminal element that

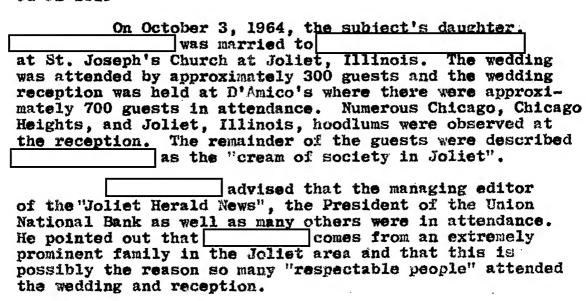
KELLY was making money. When they attempted to run him out of business they discovered that he was the head of the bartenders and waitress union in Joliet, Illinois. If one of KELLY's stops was taken away from him he would immediately call the bartenders and waitresses off on strike and the restaurant or tavern would have to put back KELLY's machine in order to stay in business. This fight between the KELLYs and FRANK LA PORTE and FRANCIS CURRY continued until two of the KELLY brothers were murdered. According to rumor, the oldest KELLY brother was killed in Gary, Indiana, and it was done by JIM EMERY's personal body guard.

| stated that it was his understanding that at this time, FRANK LA PORTE of Chicago Heights, Illinois, was EMERY's body guard. |
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| As the years progressed, CURRY became more |
| prominent in Joliet political affairs and at one time was considered to completely dominate the city council and |
| As a result of CURRY's political power |
| in Joliet society and are still considered respectable citizens by the entire community. Recent newspapers |
| notoriety has in some degree lessened their authority in the community but many legitimate business people continued to maintain personal freindships with the CURRYS. |
| FRANK LA PORTE he recently saw CURRY and |
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| a legitimate cigarette vending machine company for which CURRY supposedly derives legitimate income. CURRY very seldom is observed in the Joliet area and most of his time is spent at his home, on Western Avenue. In his opinion that CURRY is not engaging in any illegal activity at the present time and that he lives off the proceeds and investments that he made during the prohibition era and prior to the time that gambling operations were restricted in Will County, Illinois. Approximately 18 months ago there appeared to be considerable trouble between the various hoodlum elements in Joliet. That rumor indicated that several "young bloods" from Chicago attempted to take over the organized gambling and vice in Will County, Illinois, met with vigorous oposition from CURRY. As a result Little Jack's Restaurant suffered an arson loss of approximately \$200. This restaurant was the meeting place for CURRY, LA PORTE and other old time syndicate hoodlums. This fire was reportedly to convince the old timers that the young hoodlums from Chicago meant business and maintained a share of the illegal profits. | |
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| several of these unidentified | |
| "young bloods" were killed in Chicago and LA PORTE and CURRY remained the leaders of all organized criminal activity | |
| in Will County. | |
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| In view of the recent elections most of the city fathers in Joliet have disassociated themselves with CURRY and he has lost considerable power in Joliet politics. He | |
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On October 5, 1964, the subject was observed at the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and appeared to be having a conference with FRANK LA PORTE.



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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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Chicago, Illinois October 13, 1964

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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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| Dates of Contact 8/21, 9/24 Titles and File #s on which contacted FRANCIS CURRY | and 29 and 10/3/64 | 92-1519 | |
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| See a | attachment. | | |
| Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained | Rating | Coverage | |
| by him since last contact. Personal Data | EXCELLENT | SAME 92-9 SAME SAME SAME SAME SAME SAME SAME SAM | 8.9 |

| On October 15. 1964. SA was in contact with and he generally corroborated the information furnished by the informant. |
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| The informant further advised on October 8. |
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| On October 22, 1964, the "Joliet Hearld News," |
| page one, disclosed that the M & W Disposal Company of Kankakee, Illinois, with local address at 2112 West |
| Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois, had received the city garbage contract for a five-year period starting |
| January 1, 1965. |

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/ FROM : BAC, CHICAGO (92/1519)

SUBJECT: PRANCIS JERGES CURRY, aka.

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be plans to travel to Kiami Beach, Florida, for the Christmas Season.

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is as attempt to determine subject's activities while in that area.

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GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

| | On September 17, 1964, | | |
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| | Louisville, Kentu | ky, advised Investigative | |
| Clerk | that her | files reflected the following: | |
| Southern with the | GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON Parkway, Louisville, Kercredit bureau since June | 4206 ntucky, have been in file e, 1954. GEORGE is unemployed | |
| file. | No credit information | is available in the HUTCHISON | |
| Record Bu | he following concerning | Department, advised her files the name of GEORGE JACK | |
| | Name Race Sex Height | GEORGE "JACK" HUTCHISON White Male 6 feet | |
| | Weight Date of Birth Louisville | December 24. 1905 | b6 b7 |
| | Police Department Number: Address | 42162 4206 Southern Parkway | |
| DATE | CHARGE | DISPOSITION | |
| 8/3/46 | D isor derly Conduct | \$5.00, 8/21/46 | |
| 5 /2 6 /50 | Disorderly Conduct | Amended to Breach of Peace, \$2.00, 5/26/50 | |
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CHARGE

Federal Charge Fraud by Wire

KRS 434.370 wt. Failure to return rented car

Vagrancy KRS 437.110 Fug - GL wt. DISPOSITION

Turned over to Federal officers

No prosecution Filed away 8/10/55.

Turned over to Newport News, Va. authorities. GL \$5,000.00 swindle.

| Clerk that her files reflected that has been in file since He is listed as being Clerk, Record Bureau, advised Investigative Clerk that her files reflected | Credit Bureau, | HE/1m | | • |
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JOSEPH GUZZINI, Also Known As GUZZINO, Louisville Police Department Number 73857

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| L | ouisville Police Department Number: | 73857 | · | |
| DATE | CHARGE | | DISPOSITION | |
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SAM CAMPO

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| Clerk | that her | files reflect | ted as follows: |
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| previously 11 | 24 South Eighth S | treet. Louisv: | Llle, Kentucky, has |
| been in file | with the credit b | ureau since 19 | 942. No credit |
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| Eye | 5 | Brown | |
| Hai: | r | Brown | |
| Date | e of Birth | January | y 1, 1901 |
| Res | idences: | 1124 30 | outh Eighth Street, |
| | | (Mare | n 28, 1942). |
| | | | est Madison, |
| | | | y 8, 1944). |
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TO

SAC, CHICAGO (921519)

DATE: 11/30/64



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SAC, LOUISVILLE (92-433) (RUC)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, Aka.;

Re Louisville letter to Chicago dated and Chicago airtel to Louisville dated

9/28/64.

There is being enclosed herewith three photographs of former known associates of the subject, namely, one photograph each of JOSEPH GUZZINO (Louisville PD No. 73857), GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON (Louisville PD No. 42162), and

| Additionally, there is being enclosed investigative inserts relating to information concerning JOSEPH GUZZINO, GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON, and |
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| SAM CAMPO. In this connection it is noted that DAVID JARRETT, formerly a known associate of CURRY, is deceased, and |
| No background information concerning these individuals is being furnished. |
| In connection with the marriage of the subject's as referenced in Chicago airtel, was contacted on October 1, 1964, by SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP and he indicated that he was unaware that this marriage was contemplated. There was no other information developed, indicating any Louisville hoodlums were expected to travel to Chicago on or about the time of the wedding. |
| On November 4, 1964, advised SAs HAROLD T. 57 HOTOPP and that he did not receive any invitation to any of the weddings of the subject's children and that he had not received any reports concerning these marriages. He noted that |
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| on November 4, 1964, in commenting on the former associates of CURRY at the time he had been in |
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| Louisville a number of years ago, noted that |
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| JOSEPH GUZZINI, from what |
| the informant knew, is currently somewhere in Chicago. |
| He noted that GEORGE "JACK" HUTCHISON has not been known to |
| have had any recent contacts with CURRY, HUTCHISON having |
| been recently arrested by authorities in Tennessee, in connection |
| with petty thefts from telephone coin boxes. |
| with beady offer on referrance could be seen. |

Should any additional information concerning the subject be developed by the Louisville Division, it will be made available to your office.

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| | The following listed persons on the dates indicated were contacted relative to and relative to any information they might have concerning the above named individuals. It is to be noted the below mentioned persons are familiar with and have investigation numerous gambling activities and operations in the area of Joliet, Illinois. They stat they have no knowledge or record of and the statement of | |
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Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants.

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AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report is excessive. It has been maintained in a current status through interoffice communications.

| INFORMANTS | | b7C b7D |
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| Source | Date Contacted | Contacting Agent |
| CG T-1 | December 29, 1964 | SA |
| CG T-2 | November 4, 1964 | SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP |
| CG T-3 | November 30, 1964 | SA |

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

| Copy to: | 1 - USA, Chicago | | |
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| Report of: Date: | SA | Office: Chicago | |
| Field Office File #: | 92-1519 | Bureau File #: | |
| Fitle: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | |
| Character: | ANTI-RACKETEERING | | |
| Synopsis: | | | b6 |
| | Subject and wife, to reside at 516 West Illinois. Sources at | continue tern Avenue, Joliet, dvise that subject is | b7(b7I |
| | Subject a | lso | |
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| | | Subject's | |
| | former known associate Kentucky, included SA HUTCHISON, | | |

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

| | Joliet, Illinois |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Police Department | , advised that subject as yet |
| | s home at 516 Western Avenue, |
| Joliet, Illinois. | stated that the |
| general rumor in | Joliet was that in view of the |
| fact that both hi | s children are now married |
| | close his home in Joliet and |
| | at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami |
| Beach, Florida. | stated on January |
| 16, 1965, that he | continues to observe the subject |
| and his wife at t | heir Western Avenue home. |

CG T-3 advised that he has heard that the subject intended to spend the winter season at his Miami Beach, Florida home.

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| Illinois S | State | Police. | advised | that | District 5, he has learned | 1 . |
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| | stated that when t | he restaurant | WES | operat: | ing |
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| | FRANCIS CURRY WAS | often observe | d in | confere | ences |
| 1 t | | investigatio | n inc | iicated | that |
| - 2 | CURRY is possibly activities. | boss a | | | |

By communication dated November 30, 1964, the Louisville Office advised that the following information was obtained regarding CURRY's associates in the Louisville, Kentucky area. The subject has not been known to have frequented the Louisville area in the past several years.

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the wedding of either of the subject's children and that he has not received any reports concerning these marriages. He advised that to his knowledge no one in the Louisville area contemplated traveling to Chicago in order to attend these weddings.

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

| Informant stated that |
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois January 25, 1965

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference

Report of Special Agent dated and

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Chicago, Illinois January 25, 1965

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY ANTI-RACKETEERING

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| Chicago T-1 is an individual | | |
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| With regard to the | |
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| In view of the fact that investigation to date indicates that it is recommended that this case | * |
| Inasmuch as had the sanction of FRANCIS CURRY (92-1519) Will County, Illinois, vice overlord, a copy of this memorandum is being designated for the CURRY file, and that the following leads be | b6 b7C b7D |
| covered in an effort to ascertain if there is any connection between FRANCIS CURRY. LEADS | |
| CHICAGO and attempt to determine if connected in any way with FRANCIS CURRY. | |
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DATE: 1/28/65

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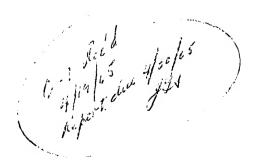
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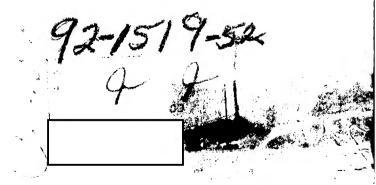
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| 12/16/64 and 1/ family were obs | (protect identity), advised SA on 7/65 that the subject nor any member of his erved |
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| advised SA | (protect identity), CURRY 1/26/65, that subject has not appeared at |
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FRANCIS CURRY AR

00: Chicago

Chicago source has indicated subject may travel to San Diego to handle some unknown financial transaction for FRANK LA PORTE of Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Photo of subject enclosed, and it is requested that it be exhibited to logical informants that are familiar with organized crime in your division in an effort to determine LA PORTE's associates in your area.

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ENCLOSURES

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Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants.

LEADS

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Leads to other field divisions are being set forth under separate communication as they develop.

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AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

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It is noted that the investigative period of this report is excessive, and has been maintained in the current status through interoffice communications.

INFORMANTS

| by SA | CG T-1 is PCI contacted on 3/9/65, | • |
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| | CG T-2 is | b6 |
| SA | CG T-3 is contacted on 2/17/65, by | b70 b70 |
| by SA | CG T-4 is contacted in August, 1964, | |



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92-1519

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character:

ANTI-RACKETEHRING

Synopsis:

Investigation indicated that the subject remained in Joliet, Illinois, during the winter of 1964. He did not travel to his home in Florida. Subject and FRANK LA PORTE

Subject frequently observed at the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Noights, Illinois.

CG 92-1519

DETAILS:

RES IDENCE

that FRANCIS CURRY, Joliet, Illinois, was unable to travel to his home in Miami Beach, Florida, during the winter season of 1964. He was not allowed to go because his "boss", FRANK LA PORTE, was spending a lot of time out of the Chicago area.

CURRY was forced to remain in the area in order to handle some unknown type of business which mutually concerned LA PORTE and CURRY. CURRY was frequently observed at his residence of 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

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| Illinois Police Department, advised to february, 1965, FRANCIS CURRY was | hicago Heights, hat during the month frequently observed |
| entering the Cooperative Music Compan | y at 1728 Halsted |
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| during this period of time FRANK LA P | ORTE was not at |
| the Cooperative Music Company and he sources that LA PORTE was out of town | nad neard from unstated |
| observed CURRY, TON | Y FRANZE. |
| in FRANZE's 1964 Chrysler Imp | erial which bears |
| 1965 Illinois license 961 438. | FRANZE |
| is the brother-in-law of FRANK LA POR | RTE, |
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| CG T-2 advised that | |
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| | and LA PORTE both |
| had an interest. Informant stated th | that CURRY |
| impression and LA PORTE were partners in some un | |
| in the State of California | |
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| CG T-3 advised that CURRY | nd |
| are supposed to be partners with some | unknown New York |
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| CG T-4 advised that | is an |
| | the Chicago area. |
| Angrinding to the | e informant he is an |
| associate of FRANCIS CURRY in Joliet, | 7711 |

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| Illinois, advised on March 7, | 1965. |
| that CURRY's | |
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| automobile was no longer observed at CURRY's house. | |
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advised that he had been unable to locate any pertinent information regarding CURRY's current inegal activities and assumes that because of his advanced age and health he has pretty well retired from criminal activity.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois April 26, 1965

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Reference

Report of Special Agent dated and captioned above.

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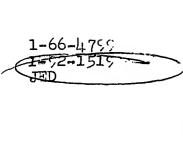
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| FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (92-412) (P) | |
| SUBJECT: FRANCIS CURRY AR (00: Chicago) | |
| Re Chicago letter to San Diego, dated 3/31/65. | |
| Captioned subject is carried in San Diego case entitled FRANK LA PORTE, AR, San Diego file 92-412. | |
| Photograph of FRANCIS CURRY has been exhibited to informants with negative results. | |
| It would appear that any business LA PORTE and CURRY had in San Diego would be through FRANK BOMPENSIERO, Recently BOMPENSIERO | |
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| It is anticipated that greater coverage of this location will be effected in the near future. In addition, | b6 b7C |
| BOMPENSIERO and FRANK DESIMONE | b7D |
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| Chicago is requested to determine if their source has ever heard ofand also advise if | |
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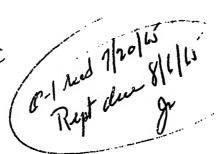
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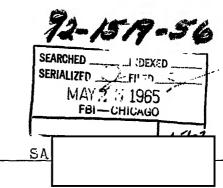
source able to confirm trip to San Diego by FRANCIS CURRY.
A previous request has been made of Chicago for a photograph of FRANK LA PORTE (see San Diego letter to Chicago, your file 92-920). In view of the anticipated coverage of the DESIMONE, BOMPENSIERO bottom botto

RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

| Orally 5/25/65 By Telephone da Information concerning: FLANCIS JETOME CU AR | |
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| Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page | Number: Serial 2, 52-151\$ |
| Information furnished was obtained: | |
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| Information furnished to: West Jashington, | Illinois Crime Investigating Chicago |
| Remarks: ICIC is prosently investig information available regarding s | ating subject and requested any ubject's arrest record. |







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SAC, SPRINGFIELD

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) (P)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka SUBJECT: AR

Captioned subject FRANCIS JEROME CURRY resides at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

Springfield Division at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles is requested to check records for all pertinent current background information for captioned subject FRANCIS JEROME CURRY.

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| The San Diego Office by communication dated 1965, informed that a photograph of FRANCIS CURRY has to informants negative results. | April 28, been exhibited with |
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| The San Diego Office informed that it would that any business LA PORTE and CURRY had in San Diego through FRANK BOMPENSIERO. | appear would be |
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Field Office File #:

92-1519

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92-1369

Title:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject continues to reside in Joliet, Illinois, at 516 Western Avenue. Subject continues to spend considerable time at Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Subject allegedly planning to operate a chauffeuring service at the Joliet Municipal Airport, Joliet, Illinois. Subject's influence in Will County, Illinois, allegedly has declined.

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| DETAILS: | |
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| Residence | ٠ |
| on May 28 and July 21, 1965, advised subject is continuing to attempt to sell his residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet Illinois, and plans to go to Florida. However, he has been unable to sell his home. Subject continuous to reside in the residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illi | ue |
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| at his residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. | b6 |
| Associates | b7C |
| Division of the Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, on May 13, 1965, and June 11, 1965, advised that | b7D |
| with AVDDV . We strike I then it among that AVDDV has not bee | |
| with CURRY. He advised that it appears that CURRY has not been as active and has not had as much influence in the political activity in the area of Joliet, Illinois, and Will County, Illinois, as during the 1940's and 1950's. He advised it appears that the subject does not appear to have as strong an influence and does not have as much activity in the hoodlum picture as previously. He advised subject during the 1940's and 1950's made considerable money in the slot machine and bookmaking activity which he apparently invested in stocks, bonds, and real estate. He advised subject apparently now is reaping the proceeds from these investments as well as being associated in the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois, as well as some other business adventures. he will attempt to gain more information relative to CURRY and his associates and his | 1 |
| activities. | |

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| Joliet. | 13 | llinois, | on | June | 17 | and | July | 21, | 1965, | advised | that | |
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June 9, 1965, advised he had learned that subject was considering operating a chauffering service at the Joliet Municipal Airport, Joliet, Illinois. He advised this was in the formative stage and no definite arrangements were known.

The following police officers on the dates indicated were contacted relative to the subject but could offer no pertinent information which has not been previously reported. They advised they would remain alert for any pertinent information relative to subject, his associates, and his activities.

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-1369)

8/13/65

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

OO: CHICAGO

Re report of SA dated 8/5/65, at Chicago.

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The Bureau is requested, through Bureau liaison, to obtain income tax returns for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, for the past five years and forward the results as well as photostat copies of CURRY's tax returns to the Chicago Office.

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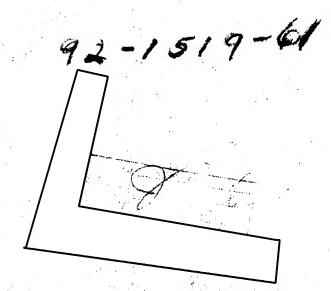
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The Bureau is requested, through Bureau liaison, to obtain income tax returns for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, for the past five years and forward the results as well as photostat copies of CURRY's tax returns to the Chicago Office.

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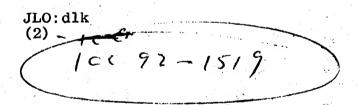
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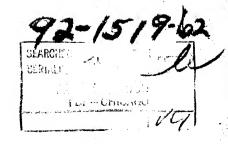


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| SAC, CHICAGO (92-347) | 8/24/65 | |
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It is noted FRANCIS JEROME CURRY is the subject of current pending case"FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka AR" Chicago file 92-1519.





Memorandum

TO

SAC, Chicago (92-1519)

DATE: 8/30/65

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Director, FBI (92-1369)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to your letter dated 8/5/65.

For your information a request for copies of the Federal income tax returns filed by the captioned individual has been cancelled.

The Bureau is discontinuing the practice of requesting Federal tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. It no longer will be necessary that such information be available in your criminal intelligence or organized crime investigations, and no effort should be made to obtain such information at headquarters or field level.

General instructions in this regard in the form of appropriate manual changes are being prepared.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

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SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-739) RUC

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Reurairtel to Springfield dated 7-30-65.

The following investigation was conducted by IC

Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 9-8-65 that a check of records for 1964 and 1965 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to a FRANCIS JEROME CURRY with an address of 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 9-8-65 that driver's license #C600-2500-2352 was issued 3-1-63 to FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. This license expires 12-11-66 and describes him as:

Height
Weight
Date of Birth
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165 Pounds 12-11-02 Brown Blue b6 b7C

2 - Chicago (92-1519) 1 - Springfield (92-639) JDH:abs (3)



| Request for Information FD-266 (7-8-55) | · • | |
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| TO: SAC, Baltimore | | Date: 9/24/65 |
| FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (9 | 2-1519) | , 2.,, |
| Furnish data on items of File No. | checked below to theChicago | Office. |
| A. Latest Employment. | B. Background Data. C | Complete Employment From 1930 year. |
| 1. | 2. | 3. |
| Type of Information | Available Information | Corrections & Additions |
| 1. Account Number | Unknown | |
| 2. Name | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | |
| 3. Date of Birth | December 11, 1902 | |
| 4. Place of Birth | Joliet, Illinois | |
| 5. Father's Name | ROBERT E. CURRY | |
| 6. Mother's Maiden Name | | |
| 7. Race | White | |
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| 8. Names & Addresses of most recent employer(s) | | |
| 9. Address & Date on Form SS-5 | · | |
| 10. Remarks | | 92-1519-6 |
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- (1) Furnish Form FD-266 in duplicate to Baltimore. One copy of form will be returned to your office with the data requested set forth in column 3 or in Items 8, 9, or 10.
- (2) Items 1 and 2 or Items 2 and 3 in column must be furnished in order to conduct a search.
- (3) Check (/) data desired in block A, B or C. Requests for data under Items B and C should be limited. If Item C is desired, indicate year from which complete employment desired or if all employment desired indicate "all."
- (4) Do not write in spaces 8, 9, or 10 below double spaced line. Do not write in column 3.

Memorandum

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 10/11/65

FROM:

IC

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS J. CURRY

Illinois Bell Telephone Toll Checks

As of instant date, the writer has been unable to obtain the information desired from the toll records of Illinois Bell Telephone Company. The writer has been in constant contact with and she advised that there is nothing she can do to expedite the receipt of the toll calls as the records are maintained in IBT's archives at another office.

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| SAC, CHICAGO (92-1300) | 10/28/65 |
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| SA | ATTENTION: SA |
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| The following investigation SA WILLIAM F. HOOD, JR.: | was conducted by |
| advised as follows on 10/8/6 | 35: |
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| FRANCIS CURRY of Joliet, Illinois, | |
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TO:

SAC, SPRINGFIELD

FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS J. CURRY, aka

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Subject has been observed being picked up at his residence by an individual driving late model Oldsmobile, black custom top, maroon bottom, bearing 1965 Illinois License

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Springfield is requested to determine owner of above Illinois license and obtain background information from Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

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| Reporting Office CHICAGO | Office of Origin CHICAGO | Date Investigative Period 12/16/65 8/5 - 12/13/65 | * . |
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| TITLE OF CASE | | Report made by | Typed By: |
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| FRANCIS JEROME | CURRY, aka | AR | |
| REFERENCE: Re | port of SA ted 8/5/65. | at Chicago, | |

LEADS

Leads to other Field Divisions are being set forth by separate communications as they develop.

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AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS, 1. Will recontact Illinois Bell Telephone Company for additional review of toll calls previous to the one set out in this report.

2. Will maintain contact with logical sources for additional information relative to subject.

Pending Over One Year - Yes

| Approved | | Special Agent In Charge | | vrite in spaces below | |
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The Bureau, by communication dated August 30, 1965, advised as follows:

A request for copies of the Federal income tax returns filed by the captioned individual has been cancelled.

The Bureau is discontinuing the practice of requesting Federal tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. It no longer will be necessary that such information be available in your criminal intelligence or organized crime investigations, and no effort should be made to obtain such information at headquarters or field level.

Spotchecks were made of subject's residence, the Wilo Music Company on the following dates without effecting any pertinent information relative to subject: August 9, 1965, October 11, 1965, October 20, 1965, October 29, 1965, November 4, 1965, and December 14, 1965.

The period of this report is somewhat extended but this case has been kept in a current status.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

| Copy to: | I - USA, Chicago | | |
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| Report of: Date: | SA 12/16/65 | Office: Chicago | |
| Field Off | fice File #: 92-1519 | Bureau File #: 92-1369 | |
| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | |
| Character: | ANTI-RACKETEERING | | |
| Synopsis: | Illinois and to spend time Chicago Heights, Illinois in the area of Joliet, I | a at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, me at Gooperative Music Company in s. Contacts with police officers llinois offer no additional pertinent subject. Investigation indicates Check of | b b b |
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| in the area of Joliet attended both weddings. | |
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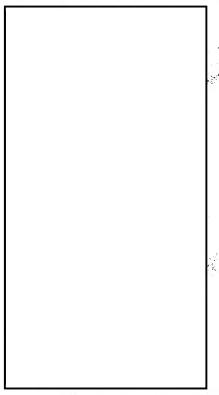
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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

A check of toll calls from subject's residence during August, September and October, 1965, indicated that he made the following calls on the dates indicated:



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The Miami and Cleveland Offices are requested to determine subscribers to the above numbers and conduct appropriate criminal and credit checks. The Chicago Office will determine subscribers to the number in ______ and Chicago, Illinois and conduct appropriate credit and criminal investigation.

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DATE: 12/22/65 SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) TO SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-846) (RUC) FRANCIS J. CURRY, aka AR 00: CG Reurairtel to Springfield dated 10/29/65. The following investigation was conducted by IC Chicago should refer to Chicago letter to Springfield dated 10/29/65, captioned LESLIE EARL KRUSE, aka, Chicago file #92-1037 and Springfield letter to is mentioned. Chicago dated 11/2/65 same caption in which b6 b7C No leads being set out UAC Chicago. b7D (2) - Chicago (92 -1519) 1 - Springfield (92-846) JDH/jdh (3)SEARCHED. SERIALIZED DEC 2 3 1965

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Informant advised on 1/3/66 that the Wild Rose Club which has a membership of 125 persons is located just outside of the city limits of Aurora, Illinois and that there are five or six slot machines being used in this club. Ritter's Tavern located in Aurora, Illinois has approximately five slot machines located in the basement.

| The following pplaces book horses on a daily basis: | b6 b7C |
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| Aurora, Illinois | Illinois. |
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| SPOT RESTAURANT, Aurora, Illinois, operated by SPORTSMAN CLUB, Aurora, Illinois, A poker table is i | n the |

Match books and Lucky 7 gambling tickets are being handled by just about all of the clubs located in Agrora, Illinois, such as the Italian Club, The Rumming Roumanian Club, The Phoenix Club and Turner's Club. Also the Elk's Club and the Moose Club.

basement.

He further advised that he has learned that CHUCK ENGLISH, who has taken over the juke boxes and cigarette vending machines that were formally controlled by FRANCIS CURRY in the Joliet, Illinois area, is displeased with the amount of money being taken inasmuch as it does not compare favorably with the money being taken in the Civerp, Illinois area. CURRY because of his advanced years has gone into retirement. ENGLISH is bringing his own ment from the Chicago area to handle the Joliet area.

1/4/66

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TELETYPE DEFERRED

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-917)

CHARLES ENGLISH, AKA. AR.

INFORMANT ADVISED ENGLISH HAS TAKEN OVER JUKE BOXES AND CIGARETTE VENDING MACHINES IN JOLIET, ILL., AREA, FORMERLY UNDER JURISDICTION OF FRANCIS CURRY. ENGLISH ALLEGEDLY HAS COMPLAINED TO HIS MEN HANDLING THIS BUSINESS THAT JOLIET IS NOT PRODUCING REVENUE IT SHOULD. PREVIOUS INFORMATION INDICATES FRANK LA PORTE ATTEMPTING TO SELL HIS INTEREST IN EITHER COOPERATIVE MUSIC CO. OR WILLCO MUSIC AND TOBACCO CO. OF JOLIET OR BOTH. NOTED CURRY IS PARTNER OF LA PORTE IN BOTH COMPANIES. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSES CURDU IN PROPER TRADE USE CHARGES IN REDUCED HIS ACTIVITIES

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DATE: 1/11/56

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

1/24/66 DATE:

FROM JULY

SAC, MIAMI (92-1309) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JERONE CURRY, aka

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00: Chicago

Re Chicago letter to Miami 12/16/65.

| We diffeado leffer to wram 12/10/03. |
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| On 11/29/65. SA observed parked in the |
| CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. |
| It was determined that this automobile was registered to |
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| Florida. It is to be noted that |
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| A check of the Miami, Florida, criss-cross telephone |
| directory disclosed that Miami telephone number |
| is listed to |
| As stated above, |
| the CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, |
| Miami Beach, Florida. |
| and the state of t |
| (protect identity) was contacted |
| by SA on 1/18/66 at which time |
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Miami will remain alert for any visitors to the CURRY residence in the coming months and will so advise the Chicago Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

OT

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE:

2/7/66

FROM

SA CHARLES L. BROWN, Jr.

Attn:

SA

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

AR

Re Chicago letter to Miami, 12/16/65.

On 1/12/66, it was determined, through a public service information operator of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, by SA CHARLES L. BROWN, Jr., that telephone number is listed to

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted concerning this telephone number.

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CLB/rms C(1) 92-1519-76

| то : | SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) DATE: 2-23-66 | |
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| FROM E:, | SAC, CLEVELAND (92-1282) (RUC) | |
| SUBJECT: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka. AR | |
| | 00: Chicago | |
| | Re Chicago letter to Miami, 12-16-65. | |
| Febr | The following investigation was conducted on party 21, 1966, at | |
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| this | The city directory lists the following occupants at address: | |
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, SAC, MIAMI (92-121309)

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) (P)

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, Aka

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(00: Chicago)

Re Miami letter to Chicago dated 1/24/66.

Recent information obtained indicated subject might have recently traveled to his home at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida.

Miami Division at Miami Beach is requested to contact (protect identity) or appropriate source to determine if subject recently has been at or presently is at his residence at 5801 La Gorce Drive.

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| ADMINISTRATIVE | |
| On January 12, 1966. Investigative Clerkat | |
| Chicago, Illinois, for additional review previous to August of 1965 and these records were unavailable. | |
| Spot checks were made in the area of the subject's residence and the Wilco Music Company in Joliet, Illinois, on the following dates without effecting any pertinent information relative to the subject: | b6 |
| January 5, 1966; | b7C |
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| March 4, 1966. | מומ |
| (protect identity) was contacted | |
| by SA on January 18, 1966. ad- | |
| vised that the CURRYs have not been to their residence at Miami | |
| Beach, Florida, since March, 1965. | Ļ |
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| The period in this report is somewhat extended due to the inclusion of investigation from an auxiliary office which investigation was not available at the time of the submission of the last report. | |
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| Report of: Date: | SA 3/17/66 | Office: Chicago | |
| Field Office File #: | 92-1519 | Bureau File #: 92-1369 | |
| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | |
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| Character: | ANTI-RACKETEERING | | 7 D |
| Synopsis: | | | |
| | Investigation indicat Wilco Music and Tobac of Chicago, Illinois. | es subject sold his interest in co Company to CHARLES ENGLISH | |

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| DETAILS: | |
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| DATE: November 29, 1965 PLACE: MIAMI, FLORIDA NAME: SA | |
| On November 29, 1965, SA observed a parked in | |
| the CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. It was determined that this automobile was registered to | |
| It is to be noted that | |
| A check of the Miami, Florida, criss-cross telephone directory disclosed that Miami telephone number is listed to As stated above, the CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, Miami | |
| Beach, Florida. | 6 |
| DATE: December 15, 21, 1965 PLACE: b | 7 |
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Department, on January 17, 1966,
Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, on January 25, 1966

Chicago.

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Illinois, on February 3, 1966, advised that they had learned that FRANCIS CURRY has sold his interest in the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet, Illinois, to CHARLES ENGLISH, known hoodlum in the Chicago area. They advised that they have not known of any information which indicates that CURRY has been active in any other business or that at the present time ENGLISH is moving into any other type of operation in the area of Joliet or Will County, Illinois. They further advised that they will attempt to determine any additional pertinent information relative to the above information which came to their attention relative to the sale of the Wilso Music and Tobacco Company.

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has sold his interest in the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet, Illinois. he sold his interest to CHARLES ENGLISH, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. has not seen the subject for some time and presumes that he has possibly taken a short trip to Miami, Florida.

The following police officers, upon contact, were unable to inform of any additional pertinent information which has not been previously reported relative to the subject:



In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois March 17, 1966

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference

Report of Special Agent and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Chicago, Illinois March 17, 1966

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY ANTI-RACKETERRING

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4/25/66

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SUBJECT:

FRANCIS CURRY

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| recontacted the Chicago Of 4/22/66 and advised that he had recently heard | l that |
| FRANCIS CURRY, a Joliet, Illinois, area hoo had no additional information concer alleged however, appeared to be extraconcerned that hoodlums might again be attempt | ning this emely |

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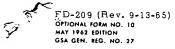
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TO SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

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SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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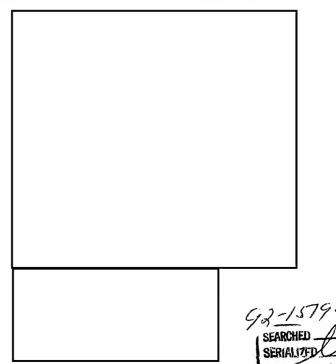
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PD, Joliet, Illinois, on 3/30/66, advised the files of that office indicated no arrest record for

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5347)

FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (92-917)

CHARLES ENGLISH, AKA. AR. OO: CHICAGO.

AS BUREAU AWARE, CHICAGO HOODLUMS, DUE TO UNPRECEDENTED PRESSURE IN CHICAGO AREA, HAVE BEEN MOVING THEIR ACTIVITIES INTO CHICAGO SUBURBAN AREA AND INTO NEIGHBORING COUNTIES.

REPRESENTS INTERESTS OF FRANCIS CURRY,

HOODLUM CONTROLLING JOLIET, ILLINOIS, AREA. RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT ENGLISH IS BUYING OUT CURRY'S VENDING MACHINE BUSINESS IN JOLIET AREA AND ALONG WITH DOMINIC "BUTCH" BLASI,

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FORMER CHAUFFEUR TO SAM GIANCANA, HAVE INCREASED THEIR ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTH SUBURBAN AREA, PARTICULARLY AROUND JOLIET. SPECIFICALLY, BLASI AND ENGLISH REPORTEDLY PURCHASED AN INTEREST IN A GOLF DRIVING RANGE IN A SHOPPING CENTER NEAR JOLIET ABOUT A YEAR AGO. THIS SITUATION BEING CLOSELY FOLLOWED.

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The period of this report preceeds the date of referenced report since information from Miami was not available.

| on March : | (protect identity), advised SA 1966, that no one has visited at the CURRY | |
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| May 19, 1966, of the following: | |
| represents interests of FRANCIS CURRY, hoodlum controll Joliet, Illinois, area. Recent information was receive that English is buying out CURRY's vending machine busi in Joliet area and along with DOMINIC "BUTCH" BLASI, for chauffeur to SAM GIANCANA, have increased their activit in the south suburban area, particularly around Joliet. Specifically, BLASI and ENGLISH reportedly purchased an interest in a golf driving range in a shopping center near Joliet about a year ago. | ed : .ness |
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Report of:

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6/28/66 Field Office File #:

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92-1369

Title:

Date:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character:

ANTI RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject allegedly instrumental in sale of Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois, Subject at one time was interested in purchasing the Valley Music Company

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DETAILS:

| On April 22, 1966. |
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| telephonically contacted |
| the Chicago Division to advise that resident |
| Illinois, is presently |
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| accompanied by several other |
| persons who are alleged to have hoodlum connections. It |
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| recontacted the Chicago Division on April 22, 1966, to advise that he recently heard that might be selling to FRANCIS CURRY. |
| On May 3, 1966. Chicago T-1 advised that b7C |
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| FRANCIS CURRY; further, that it is rumored that CURRY CHUCK ENGLISH, |
| Illinois. |
| The following investigation was conducted by SA at Joliet, Illinois: |
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| on April 11 and May 9, 1966, advised |
| was unable to determine any additional pertinent infor- |
| mation relative to the subject, and was of the opinion |
| would not be able in the future to obtain any type of |
| pertinent information relative to the subject. The following |
| persons on the dates indicated were contacted without |
| developing any additional pertinent information relative |
| to the subject other than previously reported: |

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| s CURRY is considered out of the | e pictur | e now. | | | | |

On June 13, 1966,

Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, advised that he had heard that the subject was interested in purchasing the Valley Music Company. Aurora, Illinois,

CHUCK ENGLISH owns Wilco Tobacco

and Music Company, Joliet, Illinois.



In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 12-1:10

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois June 28, 1966

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FRANCIS JEROME CIRLLY

Character

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| CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT | |
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3. Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies for information on the subject.

ADMINISTRATIVE

CG 6795-C* advised the subject and FRANK LA PORTE owned 33 1/3 percent of a shopping center in Joliet, Illinois. The stock for this shopping center is allegedly held in trust by the Chicago Title and Trust Company of Chicago and the Government, possibly IRS, has attempted to place a lien on this property.

The informant further advised that it appeared that CURRY and FRANK LA PORTE intended to build an apartment or some buildings on land LA PORTE had. The financing of this projectywould come from a "downtown bank". The informant noted that LA PORTE stated that they presently had 60 percent of the money.

| The informant said that the subject owns a part of |
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| Illinois Redi-Mix Corporation, 720 Collins, Joliet, Illinois, |
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| Joliet, Illinois, Police |
| Department, advised on July 29, 1966, that within the past |
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| he wasat the department, he |
| answered the telephone and was almost positive that the |
| caller was the subject. |
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| subject asked for and talked |
| with said he was unable to |
| learn the nature of this conversation. over |
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| and other policemen at the station. |

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| Report of: Date: | SA 10/6/66 | Office: Chicago | |
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| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | b6 b7C |
| Character: | ANTI-BACKETEERING | | b7D |
| Synopsis: | Subject allegedly owner of Illinois, | Valley Music Company, Aurora, | 7 |
| | before the Commission in th | Subpoena issued for Commission for his appearance ne latter part of October, 1960 at of the rackets because of | 6. |

| DETAILS: |
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| On July 5, 1966, Illinois State Police (ISP), Crime Section, District Number 5. Joliet, Illinois, advised that he had learned the subject of the Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois. He said that |
| On August 1, 1966, Bureau of Will County, Joliet, Illinois, advised that based on information furnished, she was unable to identify in the credit Files. On September 21, 1966, CG T-1 advised that he had recently learned that the subject wants out of the rackets because the publicity he is getting in the newspapers is embarrassing to his wife and son |
| CG T-2 advised on September 5, 1966, |

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| On September 8, 19 | 66. |
| Crime Section, ISP, Joliet, | |
| | CC) has issued a subpoena for |
| | the ICC on September 14, 1966 |
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| and Aurora, Illinois, areas. | |
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| | said he has a subpoena to |
| serve on the subject. | |
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| | 4, 1966, and he advised that |
| he has been unable to locate | the subject and believes he |
| is in hiding as a result of | a news release which disclosed |
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| that he has another subpoena | |
| before the ICC. He said thi | s subpoena must be served by |
| Ocrober 29, 1966. | |
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Efforts to locate the subject in vicinity of his residence and Wilco Tobacco Company, 1323 North Raynor on September 13 and Octrober 3, were unsuccessful.



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File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois October 6, 1966

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference

Report of Special Agent dated and captioned as above.

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Chicago, Illinois October 6, 1966

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY ANTI-RACKETEERING

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BY ROBERT GLASS

The Illinois Crime Investigating commission, including six new members, is meeting today to schedule hearings, in connection with the infilt ation of vending machine business.

Executive Director Charles Siragusa, who began an undercover investigation into the racket last June, plans to subpena 65 witnesses, including law-enforcement officials, was learned.

The hearing may be set for mid-February and take 3 days. The commission is expected to elect officers for the next 2

years. Rep. Raymond J. Welsh Jr. [D., Oak Park] and Rep. Robert R. Canfield [R., Rockford], the commission cochairmen, were defeated in the Nov. 8 election.

Five Democrats and one Republican have been named by their party leaders. The Democrats are Rep. Tobias Barry of Ladd, Harold Washington of Chicago, Sen. Cecil. Partee of Chicago, Sen. James Donne-wald of Breese, and Nathan Kinnally, a public nember.

"Replacing Canfield is Rep. George Lindberg [R., Crystal Lakel.

Siragusa began his inquiry

after south Cook county suburban business men reported that mobsters were cutting in on their vending machine and juke box territories.

A number of business men the crime syndicate into the reported being beaten and told to accept partners or else look for other jobs, according to commission investigators.

The commission undercover agents established their own dummy firm in Chicago Heights, scene of a mob takeover by Frank LaPorte and Charles English several years

The hearings will describe how scores of legitimate busi-

nesses have been taken over in five northern Illinois counties.

Much of Siragusa's investigation concerned the takeover of the coin-machine business in Kane and Will-counties.

English, a power in the juke box racket, and Francis Curry, alleged boss of Will county crime syndicate operations, last spring reportedly moved their center of influence to the Aurora area and the Fox River vælley.

FEI agents and state police have been looking into at least two Kane county vending machine companies that supposed- | day.

ly have been sold to the syndicate.

The federal and state investigations forced action by Aurora Mayor Albert McCoy, who has sought the licensing of all operators of vending machines.

Commission members, directed by Rep. Lawrence Pusateri [R., Melrose Park] and public member David Bradshaw, have been preparing information for a special subcommittee to be used at hearings.

Their final report was to be given in executive session to-

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KRUSE continued residing at 8016 Prairie, Skokie. Illinois.

He stated further that

FRANCIS CURRY who resides in

Joliet, Illinois. Informant stated that he knew that CURRY
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SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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The following investigation was conducted by IC

at Springfield, Illinois:

On 3/1/67,

Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised as follows:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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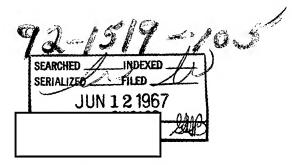
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

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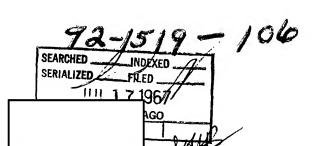
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Re Boston airtel to Chicago, 5/26/67.

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| advised that the records reflect that FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Ave., Joliet, Ill., was a patient there from |
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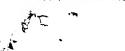
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Chicago, Illinois July 25, 1967

Title

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference

Reference is made to report of Special Agent dated and captioned as

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above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

Chicago, Illinois July 25, 1967

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHICAGO

(92-1519)

DATE: August 2, 1967

FROM

Correlation Clerk

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, Aka.

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This memo contains identical and questionable criminal references.

It is to be noted that 92-1519-2 is a previous correlation memo dated 10-22-63. It is also noted that the following files also pertain to FRANCIS CURRY:

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I. GENERAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

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Washington, D.C. report dated 9-29-47 by SA

[(ASAC) entitled "LOUIS CAMPAGNA, was.;

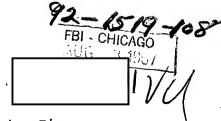
CHARLES GIOE, was; PHILIP LOUIS D'ANDREA, was; PAUL

DE LUCIA; JOHN ROSELLI" contains the following information.

In connection with PAUL DE LUCIA's application for parole, which was undated, it was noted that several letters were received by the Board of Parole urging that DE LUCIA's parole be granted.

One of the letterswas from F. J. CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

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| 92-466-877 p.10 |
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| On 9-21-61 advised SAs and as follows: |
| The following individuals have a piece of the bank at the J & J Picnic Grove Gambling Casino: |
| ROCCO FISCHETTI TONY ACCARDO SAM GIANCANA GUS ALEX LESLIE KRUSE JOHNNY DREW FRANK LA PORTE FRANK CURRY |
| This casino was located at 159th Street near Wolf Road. |
| 92-345-557 p.44 |
| Chicago report dated 8-20-62 by SA entitled "EDWARD DAVID VOGEL, Aka." sets forth the following information. |
| On 6-18-62 SAS JOHN F. GLENVILLE and EUGENE I. SATHER interviewed |
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| of years ago, he had indicated to |
| He said that on different occasions he and |
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| these two people were FRANCIS CURRY and FRANK LA PORTE. He said that he inquired why the above two individuals would be as they are known to | |
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| did not indicate the reason but it was belief that they | |
| would have to LA PORTE. He said that the above has not indicated that he was intending to | |
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| Informant has expressed great fear for hi life and has advised that he would not testify to a | |
| information he furnishes under any circumstances, a | nd |
| has expressed great fear in the utilizing of some of this information which may possibly lead to divulgi | Í ng |
| his identity. Therefore extreme caution should be | used |
| in the use of this information in order to protect informant. Any information furnished by this information | |
| which is desired to be utilized, should first be di | S- |
| cussed with the agent assigned to this matter, or h | is |
| supervisor. | |
| Arrangements have been made to contact th | е |
| informant at appropriate areas in order to provide proper security. | |
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| furnished the following inf | ormation |
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| Informant advised that FRANCIS CURRY, who | |
| controls Joliet, Illinois, on behalf of the "outfit and is referred to as a lieutenant of FRANK LA PORT | |
| and Is referred to as a frequentation runny by tour | <u>15,</u> |
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| ĺ | Informant advised that FRANK LA PORTE has |
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| • | 92-903-141 p.8 |
| | Chicago report dated 6-18-64 by SA entitled "Criminal Influence in Local 5, Hod Carriers Building and Common Laborers Union, Chicago Heights, Illinois" reflects the following information. |
| | was contacted at his |
| i | place of business. |
| | by SAs |
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| | "JIM" EMERY, FRANCIS CURRY and others who were connected with gambling and bootlegging in the late 1920's and early 1930's. with FRANK LA PORTE. SAM PERRY was very active in Chicago Heights politics and operated the City Beverage Company prior to his death in February, 1956. |
| | 92-344-1290 p.9 |
| | Chicago report dated 6-30-64 by SA entitled "ANTHONY JOSEPH ACCARDO, Aka." sets forth the following information. |
| | were married |
| | The wedding breakfast was held at the home of TONY ACCARDO. A reception beginning at 5:30 p.m. was held at the Villa Venice, Wheeling, Illinois. |
| | FRANCIS CURRY was among the guests at the wedding reception. |

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| Investigator's Report from the Intelligence <u>Division</u> of the Chicago Police Department, |
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| contained information pertaining to the wedding |
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| FRANCIS CURRY was among the individuals observed by police officers in attendance at this affair. |
| 92-344-1297 |
| On 7-14-64 |
| SA a typewritten list of names of |
| individuals in attendance at the wedding |
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| Listed was FRANCIS CURRY. |
| 162-14-916 |
| On 8-28-64 advised SA |
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| from FRANCIS CURRIE, gambling overlord of Southern Cook County. Informant advised |
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| 92-349-4532 |
| On 1-29-65, an anonymous source |
| furnished the names |
| and phone numbers listed in the new address book |
| Among the names listed was: |
| FRANCIS CURRY Home SA 2-2697 |

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| 92-466-2805 p.2 |
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| furnished the following information to SA on 2-17-65 and 3-2-65. |
| Informant advised that during a recent visit to he was able to obtain |
| a list of phone numbers Among the numbers listed was: |
| (It cannot be determined by the writer if the above is identical with the subject of this memo.) |
| 92-1173-383 p.8 Chicago report dated 5-17-65 by SA entitled "La Cosa Nostra, Aka." sets forth the following information. |
| A list of areas of control with their respective heads is set out, including the following: |
| South Cook County, and Will County FRANK LA PORTE (caporegime) |
| FRANCIS CURRY is the control influence in Will County for FRANK LA PORTE. |
| 92-1693-57 p.1 |
| Chicago report dated 12-17-65 by SA BRADNER C. RIGGS captioned "FRANK J. BUSCEMI, Aka." contains the following information. |
| The synopsis reflects that a toll call check indicated a toll call was made from the residence of BUSCEMI to telephone number listed to BERNARD WOLFRED JACOBS, Evansville, Indiana, alleged associate of Capone mob representative FRANCIS CURRY. |

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furnished the following information to SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP on 7-7-58.

| FRANCIS CURRY, a Chicago hoodlum, the late "RED" JACOBS and his brother BARNEY JACOBS |
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| the late "RED" JACOBS and his brother BARNEY JACOBS |
| were close friends and associates of FRANCIS CURRY, when the latter was in Louisville. |
| BARNEY JACOBS has good contacts with |
| CURRY and his principals and will do favors for them |
| in exchange for favors from CURRY and associates. |
| 92-1462-109 p.1 |
| Chicago letterhead memorandum dated 9-8-66 |
| entitled "Hoodlum Influence in Banking Institutions" |
| contains the following information. |
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| A confidential source requested - 9-7-66) advised in |
| September 1966 that subnoenes are to be issued by |
| the Illinois Crime Commission for FRANK LA PORTE, head |
| of the organized criminal element in the southeast b7 |
| area of Cook County; FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, the alleged by gambling lieutenant for LA PORTE in Will County; FRANK |
| FRANZE, brother-in-law of LA PORTE; and RALPH EMERY, |
| son of the former boss of Southern Cook County. |
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| recently made available |
| information which indicates the subpoenas being issued |
| by the Illinois Crime Commission are in connection with |
| an investigation of the Mercantile National Bank of Chicago and several loans made by this institution which |
| may indicate hoodlum influence in regards to granting |
| of loans. |
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| 92-917-577 p.2 |
| was contacted by SA |
| on 11/29, 12/13,14/66. |
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The following reference is maintained in the C-l Supervisor's office and should be reviewed by an agent:

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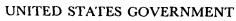
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 8/23/67

FROM

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-639) - P -

SUBJECT: FRANCIS GEROME CURRY, aka

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(OO: CHICAGO)

Re Chicago report of SA dated

7/25/67.

exchange number currently on a five diget system, which does not go to a series beginning with six. Chicago is requested to recheck the number called and to furnish the name and address of

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то : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 9/26/67

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SAC, BOSTON (92-1134) (RUC)

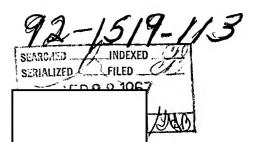
SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

(00: Chicago)

| | Re Chicago report of SA 7/25/67. | dated |
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| SUBJECT: | FRANCIS GEROME CURRY, aka AR | |
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| , | Re Chicago airtel to Springfield | dated 9/26/67. |
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SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-629)

11/29/67

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519) (1800)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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| FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | |
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| On November 28, 1967, PCI advistant he had recently learned of the possibility of the subject having invested capital in a medical building | ed |
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| FROM | SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-139) - | RUC - | |
| SUBJECT: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, Aka, AR | | |
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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| Report of: Date: | SA | Office: | Chicago |
| Field Office File #: | 92-1519 | Bureau File ∦: | 92-1369 |
| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY | | · |
| Character: | ANTI-RACKETEERING | | |
| Synopsis: | Review of records at Joliet, Illinois, dis | Will County Record | der's Office, |
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| The following investigation was conducted by SA at Joliet, Illinois: | |
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| available a review of which reflected the following information: | · · |
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File No. 92-1519

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Chicago, Illinois January 19, 1968

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of

Special Agent

dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 3/14/68

FROM SUBJECT:

SAC, MIAMI (92-1309) (RUC)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Re report of SA 1/18/68, at Chicago.

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Mot Moves to Tap-Boom in Hennepin

BY ROBERT WIEDRICH

Mobsters are trying to cut themselves in for a piece of a 600-million-dollar industrial development in the Illinois river valley, 100 miles southwest of Chicago, TRIBUNE investigators have learned.

In at least two central Illinois counties, mob emissaries from Chicago have established a beachhead in a bid for the untold riches of a payroll that will total millions of dollars as new steelmaking complex



Charles English

takes form in the river valley near Hennepin, Putnam county.

two weeks, Tribung reporters. found evidence of widespread of construction, which is neargambling in La Salle and Buing completion. Eventually, 600 reau counties as the Chicago million dollars will be spent in gamblers reportedly prepared a decade on a steelmaking comfor the massive industrialization plex that could employ as many tion of an area known principal. as 6,000 workers. ly for i's rich farmland.

English Called Boss

Actording to informed scurces, the mastermind of the mob invasion is Charles [Chuck] English, the same Chi-



Francis Curry in 1948

cago gangster and vending machine racketeer who spearheaded a hoodlum takeover of Kane county rackets two years

Francis Curry, the Will county rackets boss, is reportedly aligned with English in this latest gangland venture.

The greedy, big city gamblers have as their target the prosperity expected with completion of the giant Jones & Laughlin Steel corporation mill on a 6,000-acre site near Hennepin, a hamiet of 400 population.

Huge Spending Planned

The company is spending 150 In an investigation covering million dollars on its first phase

In addition, development of related industries in the area could boost total employment to 15,000 in a section which some Little Ruhr valley of Illinois.

taverns, restaurants, liquor proudly that his take home pay stores, and tobacco shops, re-during a year and a half had rapid fire gambling that was week with overtime. stamped out in the Chicago area. In some joints, tickets are several years ago.

So called Jar bowl tickets his initial investment on the lottery tickets abound in the winning ticket. area, with wagering ranging hat an his best winning streak from 25 cents to \$1 a ticket, he won only a total of 75 cents. There were reports of \$5 tickets in about a \$5 investment. with higher pay-offs, too, but a so investment. These no one offered any for sale.

The gantuting goes on with no apparent interference from local authorities. In fact, in one tavern in Peru La Salle county a bartender cautioned a reporter:

"If the police walk in, dump the tickets on the floor behind the bar. They don't like to have to fell us to cut it out."

Offers Machines for Sale

In another Peru taverni a reporter spent \$15 on jar bowl tickets in half an hour with a bartender who repeatedly, offered for sale three outmoded slot machines at \$200 each.

And in a La Salle tavern, reporters encountered fast-paced wagering on Saturday collegiate basketball games involving the sale of tickets at a rate of four for \$1.

The last digit of the score of the opposing teams had to match numerals on a ticket to form a winner. A successful player could win \$18 on one 25-cent ticket, but investigators said the odds against winning are astronomical.

Repeatedly, reporters saw containers filled with the illegal tickets displayed prominently on back bars.

In one joint, a bartender opened two drawers behind the bar; both were bulging with the lottery slips.

Dice games and card games for cash pay-offs were observed at a number of locations, in the area as the reporters ranged thru such communities as La Salle, Peru, Spring Valley, Oglesby, and Bureau.

\$300 a Week Pay

In one back street tavern, a people have already labeled the steel mill worker gave reporters a hint of the prosperity in In a succession of small the air when he announced porters encountered a form of never been less than \$300 a

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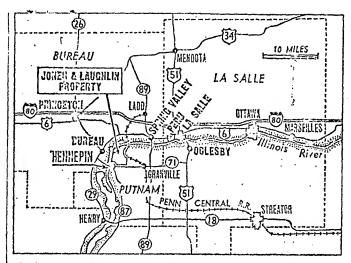
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winnings were lost as soon as he plowed them back into more tickets.

Mob Moves In

Informed sources reported that local gamblers had been approached by Chicago mob representatives and had refused to do business with them. As a result, the out-of-town gamblers were reported establishing their own lottery and parlay card distribution operation in the area while the local operators adopted a wait-and-see attitude,

Other cutside influences were reported seeking a foothold in the potentially lucrative central Illinois area from which the Jones & Laughlin complex will draw its work force. Hennepin, the seat of Putnam county, is 15 miles from the La Salle-Peru area.

Sources told THE TRIBUNE that gamblers from the Rockford area, another seat of Mafia power in northern Illinois, were attempting to operate week-end dice and card games in the vicinity. The sources said that the tickets and parlay cards were also being pushed at otherwise seemingly innocent bingo games.

The Rockford gamblers were reportedly being directed by Frank Buscemi, reputed No. 2 home baliwick by a crackdown man in Winnebago county engineered by the Federal Burackets.

The gambling paraphernalia was reportedly being brought to central Illinois from Chicago, some in the trunks of cars and other loads in trucks delivering liquor to some communities. sources said.

cial boom that was to hit the area came in 1965 when the New York Central railroad began to quietly acquire the 6,000 acres of farmland north and east of Hennepin. The rumbles became a roar when announcement of the site selection was made in April, 1965.

The site is on the New York Central right-of-way, abuts the barge lines of the Illinois river. and is close to Interstate nighway 80. Adding to the area's economy is the construction of a 16-million-dollar spur of I-80 from Princeton to the plant.

It was readily obvious to anyone, including the Chicago gamblers, that Putnam county could not provide the work force needed to construct and operate the giant plant. Putnam county is the smallest county in the state in size and is second smallest in population. Only Granville, of its six communities, has a population of more than 1,000.

But only minutes away by car was available a reservoir of workers in La Salle and Bureau counties.

Pressed By FBI

The situation, investigators said, was a natural for a takeover by the Chicago mob, already hard-pressed in their reau of Investigation.

Investigators reported that most of those dispensing the mob's gambling paraphernalia do so in exchange for a 20-percent commission. And from what reporters observed, the gambling goes on from dawn Distant rumbles of the finan- to the early morning hours.

Issues Challenge

Sheriff Rips Report

Lounty Gambling

challenged Chicago newspaper on vice in this area. reporters or anyone else to show evidence of widespread gambling in this county.

sheriff issued the challenge on the heels of a front page story in a Chicago newspaper today which claimed mobsters were establishing a beachhead in both La Salle and Bureau counties.

The story said: "Mobsters are trying to cut themselves in for a piece of a 600-million dollar southwest of Chicago."

THE ARTICLE referred specifically to La Salle and Bureau counties, after claiming that mob emissaries were bidding

The sheriff attacked the story areas. while at the same time defend. The story claimed a team of remains in his present job:

Sheriff Floyd Conkling today ing law enforcement vigilance reporters participated in a jar

HE STATED that his department works in close cooperation, not only with Illinois State Police, but with other law enforcement agencies in this area.

"I can guarantee you that when we receive any information or complaints on vice such as gambling we conduct a thorough investigation," he told the Daily Times.

The sheriff said the story obviously was "sensationalized, a piece of a 600-million dollar exaggerated, unfounded report-industrial development in the II-ling's since it failed to list adlinois River Valley, 100 miles dresses of where the alleged gambling is taking place.

"Why didn't they ask me?" the sheriff said in further ridiculing the report.

CONKLING SAID, however, for untold riches of a payroll that he wasn't too surprised at as a new steelmaking complex the story since Chicago newstakes form in the river valley papers periodically feature such near Hennepin, Putnam county. "factless trash" about di ferent

bowl form of lottery gambling in a Peru tavern. The name of the tavern was not disclosed.

Peru has its own police department, and the county sheriff's department generally does not patrol cities with their own law agencies, Conkling pointed

"We have the authority to conduct investigations in cities as well as the rural areas," he continued, "but we seldom do."

HE EXPLAINED that his department not only has confidence in the other law enforcement agencies, but has its hands full covering the many rural neighborhoods of the county.

Conkling said he was anxious to see if anyone would submit any evidence of gambling as a result of his challenge.

And the sheriff added that he was determined to keep the county "clean" as long as he

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

DATE: 6/12/68

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SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-639) - P -

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Re Chicago letter to Springfield dated 3/29/68.

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On 5/29/68

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The period of this report is somewhat lengthy, however, it includes investigation conducted by an auxiliary office which predates the previous report submitted by the Chicago Division. Also subject's activities have been very limited due to his extremely had health and if such continues consideration will be given to placing this case in a P* status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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7/25/68 DATE:

: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-639) (RUC)

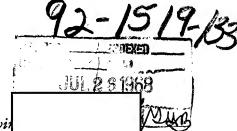
SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Memorandum

| SAC , CHICAGO | DATE: | 7/25/68 | |
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

| Date: Field Office | November 15, 1968 File #: 32-1519 | Bureau File #: | |
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| Title: | FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, at | 92-1363 | |
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| ation, Joliet, Illinois, which according tois b6 owned by the subject. |
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| Al Baskin's Department Store, Cass and Ottawa, Joliet, |
| Illinois, advised that the store has obtained a judgement against the subject in the amount of |
| \$505.28, for unpaid merchandise obtained during the period January, 1965. to January, 1967. A judgement has also been |
| obtained in the amount of \$497.94, for failure to pay for merchandise obtained during |
| the period December, 1965, to January 6, 1967. |
| this collection matter has been turned over to |
| During the Investigative Period contacts have been maintained with the following sources of information who were unable to |
| provide any current information on the subject's activities: |



In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

210 South Depriors Street Chicago, Titamara 60604 November II 1966

Title

FRANCIS JEHOME CURRY,

ALSO KNOWN AS

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Reference

REPORT OF SPECIAL AGENT

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, information copy being furnished to view of outstanding investigation in that Division.

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| TO | : | SAC. | CHICAGO | (92-1519) |
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DATE: 12-24-68

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-639) (RUC)

SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

(OO: CHICAGO)

Relet from Chicago to Springfield dated 10-31-68.

The following investigation was conducted by IC

Corporation Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 12-19-68 that the Oak Development Corporation was incorporated August 16, 1965, and an annual report for this corporation was filed July 2, 1968, which reflects the following:

Registered Agent Registered Office

Officers and Directors

THOMAS M. MONAHAN 3211 Vest 103d Street Chicago, Illinois

THOMAS MONAHAN, President and Director

GEORGE J. COFFEY, Secretary and Director

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JOHN McGUIRE, Treasurer and Director

also advised that the character of this business is realty construction and management and that this corporation is authorized to issue 20,000 shares of common stock with no par value as of the preceding December 31st and that they issued 2,100 shares of common stock with no par value as of the preceding December 31st, and their stated capital is given as \$61,000 with no bid in surplus.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA dated 11/15/68 at Chicago. Springfield letter to Chicago, 12/24/68.

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The subject's activities have been very limited due to his extremely bad health and in view of this situation, this matter is being placed in a P* status for a period of 90 days at which time this matter will be re-evaluated.

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| ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED none | | | | | ne | ACQUIT- | CASE HAS BEEN: |
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Report of: Date:

1/31/69

Office:

CHICAGO

Field Office File #:

92-1519

Bureau File #:

92-1369

Title:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject continues to have outstanding debt at local Joliet, Illinois, department store. Letter sent to "City Manager" from "the bookkeeper, 516 Western, Joliet, Illinois," the subject's residence, complaining about water bill. Sources of information in Joliet, Illinois, unable to furnish any information on subject's activity and indicate he has serious health problems.

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DETAILS advised on Movember 20 and December 20, 1968, partment store, where the subject, have outstanding bills. He stated that to his knowledge summons have been issued for all concerned hemeyer, efforts by the Will County Sheriff's Office to serve them have been unsuccessful. he believes that as a result of the efforts by the Sheriff's Office, the however, he is not aware of the current status of the matter. On January 8, 1969, Al Baskins, Ottawa and Case Streets, Joliet, Illinois, advised that the subject has been in contact with SHALK BASKIN, President, in an effort to negotiate the subject's indebtedness to the store. He stated that he did not know how SHALE BASKIN was going to handle the subject's account. that he had learned that the subject On January 10, 1969, City Hall, Joliet, Illinois made available a perox copy of a letter addressed to Manger" and signed "The Bookkeeper, 516 Western, Joliet,

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The letter is as follows:

Illinois, the subject's residence.

Jan. 3, 1969. City Minager City of Jolist 150 W. Sifferen St. Joliet, Oll. 60431 Dear Sir This is the fifth time I have tried to bring this matter to your cettention. The residence all 516 Western liv. is occupied about 7 months out of the year with the exception of the housekeeper and caretakin and the water bill is estimated wiry month at 20. per month. "He would like to have a meter reader arrange a time to read the meter. The caretaker is on the premises every day until non

Please have this meter read and readjust our till for

the past year and a half.
Our water consumption during the unoccupied time should be the very minimum about 30 per month.

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| on December ation was report for | per 19, 1968 that the incorporated August | Corporation Section, ld, Illinois, advised Oak Development Corpor- 16, 1965, and an annual as filed July 2, 1968, | |
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| | Registered Agent Registered Office | THOMAS M. MCMARAM 3211 West 103rd Street Chicago, Illinois | b |
| | Officers and Directors | THOMAS MONAHAM, President and Director, | b |
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The following sources of information were contacted in the Joliet, Illinois area, and were unable to provide any background information on the subject:

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The above sources, in each instance, all noted that they had heard the subject has a serious health problem and his activity is very limited if not non-existant.

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DATE: 4/28/69

| FROM | : | SA | |
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SUBJECT: FRANCIS CURRY

| On 4/28/69, Joliet Police Dept. advised subject is in possession of a 1969, 2 door Buick, Sports Model, bearing 1969 Illinois license CF 2077. | b6 |
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| Captioned license is registered to Co-Operative Music Company, 1718 Halsted Street, hicago Heights, Illinois. | b7 |
| further advised subject is still very ill and | |

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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On May 8, 1969, informant advised that

On May 8, 1969, informant advised that he has heard that a high stakes card game is being conducted

He stated that he has not been able to determine when these games are held or who participates. However, he had heard that

was possibly running this game. Informant stated that he would attempt to determine more about this card game operation